IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

MIMEDX GROUP, IN	C.,)	
VS.	PLAINTIFF,)))	DOCKET NUMBER 1:17-CV-399-LMM
LUKE TORNQUIST,	DEFENDANT.)))))	ATLANTA, GEORGIA FEBRUARY 9, 2017

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE THE HONORABLE LEIGH MARTIN MAY,

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

APPEARANCES:

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1 (IN ATLANTA, FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, FEBRUARY 9, 2017, IN 2 OPEN COURT.)

- THE COURT: OKAY. GOOD MORNING. YOU MAY BE SEATED.
- 4 WE ARE HERE THIS MORNING IN CIVIL ACTION 17-CV-399, MIMEDX --
- 5 AND Y'ALL CAN TELL ME IN A MINUTE IF I PRONOUNCE THAT
- 6 CORRECTLY -- GROUP, INC. VS. LUKE TORNQUIST.
- 7 AND IF COUNSEL WOULD INTRODUCE THEMSELVES FOR THE RECORD,
- 8 PLEASE.
- 9 MS. MCGINNIS: YOUR HONOR, SHANON MCGINNIS ON BEHALF
- 10 OF MIMEDX GROUP, INC., AND MY PARTNER, JOSEPH WARGO. ALSO WITH
- 11 ME HERE TODAY IS LEXI HADEN, GENERAL COUNSEL FOR MIMEDX; MARK
- 12 TRAYNOR (PHONETIC), SENIOR COUNSEL FOR MIMEDX; AND BILL TAYLOR
- 13 WHO IS THE PRESIDENT AND C.O.O. OF MIMEDX.
- 14 THE COURT: OKAY. THANK YOU.
- 15 MR. ROBERTS: GOOD MORNING, YOUR HONOR. DAVE ROBERTS,
- 16 | HALL, ARBERY, GILLIGAN, ROBERTS & SHANLEVER HERE IN ATLANTA.
- 17 AND WITH ME TODAY IS WES MCCART AND ELIZABETH NEWTON WHO ARE
- 18 ATTORNEYS IN MY OFFICE. AND ALSO MY CLIENT, MR. TORNOUIST,
- 19 WHO'S DOWN FROM MINNESOTA TODAY.
- 20 THE COURT: GREAT. WELL, GOOD MORNING TO YOU ALL.
- 21 BEFORE WE GET STARTED ON THE ACTUAL ARGUMENTS FROM THE PARTIES,
- 22 WHAT I WANTED TO DO IS GO THROUGH WITH YOU AT THE OUTSET SOME OF
- 23 MY INITIAL THOUGHTS AFTER READING THE BRIEFS AND AFFIDAVITS FROM
- 24 ALL THE PARTIES SO THAT YOU COULD HAVE A LITTLE BIT MORE
- 25 INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT I WAS THINKING SO THAT YOU COULD KIND OF

ADDRESS SOME OF MY CONCERNS WHILE YOU'RE MAKING YOUR ARGUMENT 1 2 AND KNOW THE ISSUES THAT I THINK MAY BE THE ONES THAT YOU MAY 3 HAVE SOME MORE PROBLEMS WITH IN TERMS OF MY REVIEW OF WHAT YOU 4 HAVE INITIALLY FILED. SO IN LOOKING AT ALL THIS INFORMATION, 5 WHAT I SEE IS, FIRST, I'M NOT UNDULY PERSUADED BY THE ARGUMENT 6 OF THE UNCONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE R.C.A. CERTAINLY THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I WILL LOOK AT, BUT AT AN INITIAL LOOK AT THE 8 ARGUMENTS AND THE CASE LAW, I DO THINK IT'S LIKELY 9 CONSTITUTIONAL. 10

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I ALSO THINK THAT I CAN BLUE PENCIL THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS AND I CAN LIKELY BLUE PENCIL IT SUCH THAT I CAN CHANGE THE AREA TO WHICH IT APPLIES TO MINNESOTA. SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT AT LEAST INITIALLY I THINK IS CORRECT. I ALSO, IN TERMS OF REVIEWING THE AFFIDAVIT OF MR. TORNQUIST AND HIS STATEMENTS ABOUT WHAT HE DOES OR DOES NOT INTEND TO DO AND WHAT HE HAS DONE IN THE PAST, I AM MORE INCLINED TO RELY ON THOSE REPRESENTATIONS. AND IN TERMS OF MY POWER AS A JUDGE, IF SOMEONE FILES AN AFFIDAVIT IN MY COURTROOM UNDER OATH THAT LATER BECOMES UNTRUE, THEN I HAVE A LOT OF TOOLS THAT I CAN USE IN TERMS OF SANCTIONS AND POWERS THAT I HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT WHATEVER STATEMENTS ARE MADE ARE ACCURATE. SO IN TERMS OF SOME OF THE ARGUMENTS MADE IN THE PLAINTIFF'S BRIEF THAT I CAN'T TRUST OR RELY ON WHAT MR. TORNOUIST SAID BECAUSE THAT MAY NOT BE RELIABLE, FROM MY STANDPOINT I HAVE A LOT OF POWER AND TOOLS TO DEAL WITH THAT IF FOR SOME REASON THEY DON'T BECOME TRUE. SO I

AM LESS PERSUADED ABOUT SOME OF THE ARGUMENTS ABOUT THE PAST CONDUCT AS A WAY TO SUPPORT A FUTURE INJUNCTION.

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I THINK THAT FROM MY STANDPOINT THAT THE HARDEST PART OF PLAINTIFF'S ARGUMENT IS IN TERMS OF THE ARGUMENT THAT THERE IS AN IMMINENT AND IRREPARABLE HARM. BECAUSE WHEN I REVIEW MR. TORNQUIST'S AFFIDAVIT, IT APPEARS THAT THE ONLY ISSUE THAT IS IMMINENT IS HIS EMPLOYMENT POTENTIALLY WITH PROTECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES. AND THAT REALLY IS THE GIST OF, AT LEAST IN MY OPINION, WHAT WE NEED TO BE TALKING ABOUT TODAY AND WHETHER THAT EMPLOYMENT RAISES IMMINENT AND IRREPARABLE HARM. AND I DO NOTE THAT I HAVE THE RECENTLY FILED -- I THINK THERE ARE DECLARATIONS OR AFFIDAVITS THAT STATE THAT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES DOES SELL A COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCT, AND CERTAINLY EMPLOYMENT WITH THAT ORGANIZATION COULD BE IN VIOLATION OF THESE CONTRACTS. BUT WHAT I DO NOT HAVE A GOOD UNDERSTANDING ABOUT IS EVEN THOUGH THAT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES SELLS COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCTS AND DOES HAVE SOME PRODUCTS THAT OPERATE IN THE SAME SPHERE POTENTIALLY AS THE MIMEDX PRODUCTS, I DON'T HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TRUE OF A COMPETITOR THIS IS SUCH THAT IT WOULD BE IRREPARABLE HARM FOR HIM TO BE ALLOWED TO SELL THESE PRODUCTS.

SO, YES, IT APPEARS THAT SOMEONE HAS GONE TO THE WEBSITE

AND SHOWN THAT, YES, THERE ARE SOME PRODUCTS, YES, THEY CONTAIN

COLLAGEN, YES, THEY COULD BE COMPETITORS, BUT TO ME THAT IS NOT

THE SAME THING AS MEETING A BURDEN OF IRREPARABLE HARM IF HE'S

ALLOWED TO WORK FOR THAT EMPLOYER. SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I

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THE OTHER ISSUE I WANTED TO RAISE IS THAT UNDER RULE 65(C) OF THE FEDERAL RULES, FOR ANYONE TO GET A TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER OR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION, THERE IS THE PREREQUISITE OF THE FILING OF A BOND. AND NOBODY HAS TALKED ABOUT THAT IN ANY WAY OR SHOWN HOW THEY WILL COMPLY WITH THAT, HOW MUCH THEY WOULD POST OR WHAT THEY WANT TO DO IN TERMS OF THAT PARTICULAR PROVISION. SO THAT IS A REQUIREMENT THAT HAS TO BE MET BEFORE I CAN ISSUE ANY KIND OF T.R.O. OR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION. SO AND ALSO I THINK THAT I WANTED TO KIND OF TALK ABOUT BRIEFLY IS THAT WHEN I'M LOOKING AT THE LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS ON THE MERITS PRONG WHICH IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE, IS THAT IT IS UNUSUAL WITH THIS BLUE PENCILING TYPE THING THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH IN THAT, YES, I DO KNOW THAT I HAVE THE POWER TO BLUE PENCIL AND THEN ISSUE A T.R.O. OR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION, BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF ISSUES THAT ARE GOING TO COME UP IN TERMS OF HOW I ULTIMATELY DO BLUE PENCIL THIS AGREEMENT THAT MAY NOT BE LIMITED TO THIS TERRITORIAL RESTRICTION. SO THERE IS A LITTLE BIT OF A CIRCULAR ISSUE HERE WHERE I'M BEING ASKED TO ENFORCE AN AGREEMENT THAT MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY THE COURT WHEN I HAVE NOT YET DETERMINED HOW THIS AGREEMENT MAY HAVE TO BE CHANGED IN TERMS OF KIND OF THIS REASONABLENESS COMPONENT. AND THERE DO SEEM TO BE SOME FACTUAL ISSUES OUT HERE ON SOME OF THOSE ISSUES, AS WELL AS POTENTIALLY THIS ISSUE OF

1 WHETHER PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES ACTUALLY IS A TRUE COMPETITOR.

- 2 | I DID NOTE THAT THEY WERE NOT LISTED AMONG THE COMPETITORS THAT
- 3 WERE PRESENTED IN THE INITIAL T.R.O. MOTION. SO THOSE ARE KIND
- 4 OF SOME OF THE THINGS THAT I HAVE IN MY HEAD AS WE START TODAY'S
- 5 | HEARING, AND I WANTED YOU TO HAVE THE BENEFIT OF THAT SO YOU
- 6 MAKE SURE THAT YOU SPEND YOUR TIME IN A WAY THAT ADDRESSES THOSE
- 7 CONCERNS THAT I HAVE AT THE OUTSET HERE.
- 8 SO WITH THAT AS A BACKGROUND, MS. MCGINNIS, I WILL ALLOW
- 9 YOU TO MAKE YOUR ARGUMENT. AND I DO SAY THAT BECAUSE WE'VE GOT
- 10 DUELING MOTIONS FOR T.R.O.'S, I DO THINK TO MOST EXTENT THEY
- 11 NATURALLY RESPOND TO EACH OTHER. SO I DON'T KNOW THAT WE HAVE
- 12 TO DO IT, PLAINTIFF'S T.R.O., DEFENDANT RESPONDS, DEFENDANT'S
- 13 T.R.O., PLAINTIFF RESPONDS. I THINK THAT NATURALLY ALL THE
- 14 ARGUMENTS ARE KIND OF CONTAINED WITHIN EACH OTHER, BUT IF WE
- 15 NEED TO BREAK IT OUT DIFFERENTLY, LET ME KNOW, BUT I'LL FIRST
- 16 | HEAR FROM MS. MCGINNIS.
- MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, MAY I ASK A QUICK QUESTION?
- 18 THE COURT: SURE.
- MR. WARGO: GIVEN HOW YOU'VE DIRECTED THE PARTIES,
- 20 OBVIOUSLY MS. MCGINNIS IS GOING TO TAKE THE LEAD, TAKE THE
- 21 CHARGE. ARE YOU GOING TO ALLOW OTHER COUNSEL TO SPEAK AT -- IN
- 22 REBUTTAL AND RESPONSE? IS THAT GOING TO BE APPROPRIATE WITH
- 23 YOUR HONOR?
- 24 THE COURT: I THINK THAT THAT WOULD BE FINE FOR OTHER
- 25 PEOPLE TO SPEAK. JUST I KNOW SOMETIMES PEOPLE HAVE THE NEED TO

- 1 SAY THE SAME THING THAT SOMEONE ELSE SAID, BUT THEY JUST WANT TO
- 2 | THINK THEY DID IT BETTER. JUST MAKE SURE THAT YOU'RE ADDRESSING
- 3 | DIFFERENT ARGUMENTS AND DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE ARGUMENT RATHER
- 4 | THAN JUST SAYING THE SAME THING FROM A DIFFERENT VOICE.
- 5 MR. WARGO: AND I NEVER SAY THAT ABOUT MS. MCGINNIS
- 6 ANYWAY. SHE SAYS IT BETTER THAN I DO.
- 7 THE COURT: WELL, PEOPLE ALWAYS FEEL LIKE, WELL, THAT
- 8 | SHE WOULD REALLY UNDERSTAND IT. SO, YEAH, IF YOU KEEP IT TO THE
- 9 ACTUAL ARGUMENTS THEMSELVES, THAT WOULD BE FINE.
- 10 MS. MCGINNIS: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.
- 11 THE COURT: JUST ONE MINUTE WHILE WE SET UP.
- 12 OKAY. YOU MAY PROCEED.
- 13 MS. MCGINNIS: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. IF I MAY, YOUR
- 14 HONOR, I'D ACTUALLY LIKE TO ADDRESS WHAT YOU BELIEVE IS THE --
- 15 THE HARDEST PART FIRST. I THINK THAT THAT'S PROBABLY THE BEST
- 16 PLACE TO START BECAUSE I THINK IN OUR OPINION, IN THE MIMEDX
- 17 OPINION, THAT THERE ARE DEFINITELY SOME FACTORS THAT I THINK
- 18 MAKES IT EASIER FOR THE COURT WITH RESPECT TO THE IMMINENT HARM.
- 19 THE -- MR. TORNOUIST, THE DEFENDANT, AND IN FACT HIS FORMER
- 20 BOSS, MR. KRUCHOSKI, HAVE BOTH SUBMITTED WITHIN THE PAST 48
- 21 HOURS DECLARATIONS TO THIS COURT THAT THEY HAVE ADMITTED THAT --
- 22 IN THOSE DECLARATIONS THAT THEY ADMIT THAT MR. TORNOUIST
- 23 BREACHED THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS PREVIOUSLY. THE SALE OF
- 24 PALINGEN IS A COMPETITIVE PRODUCT. THERE'S NO DISPUTE OF THAT.
- 25 AND THAT ADMITTED BREACH IS -- FIRST OF ALL, ESTABLISHES THE

1 SUBSTANTIAL LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS ON THE MERITS OF THE VARIOUS CLAIMS. BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, THAT ADMITTED BREACHED PLAYS 2 3 INTO THE IRREPARABLE HARM. BECAUSE IN ADDITION TO ADMITTING 4 BREACH ALREADY, THE DEFENDANT HAS SUBMITTED A DECLARATION 5 INDICATING THAT HE PLANS TO OR HE IS AT LEAST EXPLORING AN 6 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY WITH A COMPANY CALLED PREDICTIVE 7 TECHNOLOGIES. 8 WE HAVE SUBMITTED IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF KEVIN -- OR, EXCUSE 9 ME -- THE DECLARATION OF KEVIN LILLY, AS WELL AS THE DECLARATION 10 OF MIMEDX'S CHIEF SCIENTIFIC OFFICER, MR. KOOB -- I HOPE I'M 11 PRONOUNCING THAT CORRECTLY -- THAT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES HAS 12 MORE THAN ONE COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS (VERBATIM) WITH MIMEDX AND 13 THEY ARE PRODUCTS THAT IN FACT MR. TORNQUIST HAS SOLD IN THE 14 PAST FOR MIMEDX. FOR EXAMPLE, EPICORD IS ONE OF THE COMPETITIVE 15 PRODUCTS WITH THE UMBILICAL CORD MATRIX PRODUCTS THAT 16 MR. TORNOUIST HAS INDICATED HE WOULD BE SELLING FOR THIS NEW 17 COMPANY. MR. TORNOUIST WAS -- RECEIVED TRAINING IN JANUARY OF 18 2016 ON MIMEDX'S COMPETITIVE PRODUCT. HE HAS ACCESS TO THE 19 TRADE SECRET INFORMATION THAT MR. LILLY HAS INDICATED IN HIS --20 IN HIS AFFIDAVIT AND IN HIS DECLARATION. 21 WE'VE IDENTIFIED SOME OTHER THINGS THAT THE SALE OF 2.2 PALINGEN WAS ONE THAT WE KNEW ABOUT, YOU KNOW, AND WE DIDN'T 23 REALIZE UNTIL THE DECLARATION OF -- OF MR. TORNOUIST THAT HE WAS

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PLANNING ON, YOU KNOW, EXPLORING AN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY WITH

THIS OTHER COMPANY. AND SO THAT'S WHY, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE

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1 QUESTIONS THAT YOU ASKED WAS THE, YOU KNOW, THIS WASN'T

- 2 | IDENTIFIED AS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL, YOU KNOW, COMPETITIVE
- 3 | COMPANIES, ONE OF THE COMPETITORS OF MIMEDX IN PART BECAUSE WE
- 4 DIDN'T KNOW THAT HE WAS GOING THERE AND IN PART BECAUSE THIS IS
- 5 | A -- A FLUID BUSINESS. WE IDENTIFIED SOME OF THE, YOU KNOW, THE
- 6 | MORE WELL-KNOWN COMPETITORS, BUT IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN
- 7 THAT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES IS NOT A COMPETITOR. IT JUST MAY
- 8 NOT HAVE BEEN ONE ON THE, YOU KNOW, THE TOP FIVE. AND SO THE
- 9 LILLY AFFIDAVIT HAS INDICATED THE TRADE SECRET TYPE OF
- 10 INFORMATION THAT IS NOT IN DISPUTE THAT MR. TORNQUIST HAS HAD
- 11 ACCESS TO, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO EPIFIX -- OR EPICORD.
- 12 THE -- ALL THE INFORMATION THAT WE TALKED ABOUT ABOUT PALINGEN,
- 13 SIMILAR TYPE OF INFORMATION ABOUT EPICORD AND THE OTHER
- 14 COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS ARE INCLUDED IN THE SALESFORCE.COM
- 15 DATABASES, IN THE EXCEL SPREADSHEETS, IN BOX WHICH IS MARKETING
- 16 INFORMATION THAT COMPARES THE EFFICACY OF OUR PRODUCT TO OTHER
- 17 PRODUCTS. HE'S HAD ACCESS TO ALL THAT INFORMATION IN ADDITION
- 18 TO THE SPECIFIC TRAINING ON MIMEDX'S PRODUCT IN JANUARY OF 2016.
- 19 AND IN FACT MR. LILLY EVEN TESTIFIES -- I BELIEVE IT'S PARAGRAPH
- 20 | SIX OF HIS DECLARATION, YOUR HONOR -- THAT -- AND LET ME GET THE
- 21 EXACT PAGE FOR YOU BECAUSE IN FACT I THINK PARAGRAPH SIX --
- 22 THE COURT: I THINK EIGHT IS THE ONE THAT TALKS ABOUT
- 23 THE PRODUCTS.
- 24 MS. MCGINNIS: EIGHT IS THE -- YEAH, EIGHT IS THE
- 25 PRODUCTS, BUT IN PARAGRAPH 12, YOUR HONOR -- AND, AGAIN, YOU

KNOW, WE HAVE SOME DOCUMENTS THAT WERE TRADE SECRET DOCUMENTS, 1 2 SO WE DIDN'T ATTACH THEM. WE'VE BROUGHT THEM HERE FOR YOUR 3 HONOR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO AN IN-CAMERA INSPECTION OF THEM. 4 BUT PARAGRAPH 12 IDENTIFIES THAT IN 2016, MR. TORNQUIST MADE 5 SALES OF THE MIMEDX PRODUCT THAT IS DIRECTLY COMPETITIVE WITH 6 THE PRODUCT OF PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES THAT HE HAS INDICATED HE'S GOING TO BE SELLING OR THAT HE WOULD BE SELLING. IN 8 ADDITION -- AND I THINK THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THAT IS ALMOST 9 \$300,000 OF PRODUCT WAS SOLD BY MR. TORNQUIST IN 2016, ALL THE 10 WAY UP UNTIL THE -- THE VERY MONTH BEFORE HIS TERMINATION. 11 ALL THE WAY UP UNTIL NOVEMBER 16TH, HE -- THIS WAS ONE OF THE 12 PRODUCTS THAT HE WAS SELLING ON BEHALF OF MIMEDX IN MINNESOTA 13 WHICH PRESUMABLY IS WHERE HE'S GOING TO BE SELLING THE

PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGY (VERBATIM) PRODUCTS.

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PARAGRAPH EIGHT OF MR. LILLY'S AFFIDAVIT ALSO IDENTIFIES

THAT IT'S JUST NOT THIS ONE PRODUCT OF PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGY,

THERE (VERBATIM) IN FACT ALL FOUR OF PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGY

PRODUCTS, THERE ARE CORRESPONDING COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS OF MIMEDX

THAT MR. TORNQUIST SOLD, HAD ACCESS TO OUR TRADE SECRET DATA,

AND IN FACT SOLD TO OUR CUSTOMERS IN 2016. SO WITH RESPECT TO,

YOU KNOW, IMMINENT IRREPARABLE INJURY, YOU KNOW, HIS OWN SWORN

DECLARATION ESTABLISHES THAT, YOU KNOW, THAT DECLARATION AND THE

LILLY DECLARATION, AND IN FACT THE DECLARATION OF MR. KOOB, THE

CHIEF SCIENTIFIC OFFICER WHO UNEQUIVOCALLY STATES THAT THIS -
ONE OF THE PRODUCTS IS -- IS PURELY A COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCT --

WHICH IN MR. TORNQUIST'S AFFIDAVIT HE SAYS THAT HE WILL NOT BE 1 2 SELLING COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCT. WELL, MR. KOOB ESTABLISHES THAT 3 THAT IN FACT IS A COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCT. AND THAT'S UNREFUTED. 4 AND IN ADDITION, LIKE I SAID, THE LILLY DECLARATION IDENTIFIES 5 SEVERAL PRODUCTS OF MIMEDX THAT ARE COMPETITIVE WITH EVERY 6 SINGLE PRODUCT OF PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES. AND GIVEN THE PRIOR ACCESS TO THE TRADE SECRET DATA AND THE PRIOR SALES, THE RECENT 8 SALES BY MR. TORNQUIST, THAT THAT CLEARLY IN OUR OPINION MAKES 9 IT -- MAKES IT A MUCH EASIER SHOW OF IRREPARABLE INJURY. 10 THE OTHER THING IS, IS THAT WE'RE -- WE'RE TALKING ABOUT 11 GOING TO THE EXACT SAME HOSPITALS, THE EXACT SAME DOCTORS TO 12 SELL THIS COMPETITIVE PRODUCT. IMAGINE, FOR EXAMPLE, IF 13 SOMEBODY WALKED IN OFF OF THE STREET AND HAD NO INFORMATION FROM 14 MIMEDX AS FAR AS THE TYPES OF PRODUCTS THAT ARE SOLD, THE 15 DOCTORS THAT ARE PURCHASING THEM, THE VOLUMES THAT THEY'RE 16 PURCHASING THEM, WHEN THEY'RE PURCHASING THEM, WHETHER IT'S A 17 SPECIFIC SIZE, WHETHER IT'S A SMALL ONE OR A BIG ONE OR WHETHER 18 IT'S AN INJECTABLE OR NOT AN INJECTABLE, THAT'S THE TYPE OF 19 INFORMATION THAT MR. TORNOUIST HAS ABOUT MIMEDX PRODUCTS. AND 2.0 IT IS THAT INFORMATION THAT -- THAT COMPETITORS CAN USE TO GAIN 21 A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE, THAT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES CAN USE TO 2.2 GAIN A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE. WHEN MR. TORNOUIST WALKS INTO THE 23 EXACT SAME DOCTORS AT THE EXACT SAME HOSPITALS AND SELLING A 24 COMPETITIVE PRODUCT, HE'S ALREADY GENERATED GOODWILL ON MIMEDX'S 25 DIME, ON MIMEDX'S TIME FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS, AND THEN HE'S

1 GOING TO BE USING THAT FOR A DIRECT COMPETITOR OF MIMEDX. AND 2 THAT IS -- THAT IS CLEARLY NOT ONLY THREATENED HARM, BUT 3 IMMINENT HARM BECAUSE HE'S LOOKING AT THAT OPPORTUNITY CURRENTLY 4 RIGHT NOW. AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, 5 THE NON-SOLICITATION, THE NON-COMPETITION RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS 6 AND THE CONFIDENTIALITY RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS ARE DESIGNED TO PROTECT AGAINST. YOU KNOW, MR. TORNQUIST IN EXECUTING THOSE 8 AGREEMENTS AGREED THAT IN THE EVENT OF BREACH, WHICH WE ALREADY 9 HAVE BASED ON HIS ADMISSION OF SALES OF PALINGEN PREVIOUSLY TO 10 OUR CUSTOMERS, TO MIMEDX CUSTOMERS, HE'S ALREADY ADMITTED 11 BREACH. SO IN THE EVENT OF BREACH OR THREATENED BREACH, WHICH 12 WE HAVE BASED ON HIS ADMISSION OF WHERE HE'S GOING AND OUR 13 UNREFUTED DECLARATIONS THAT THAT IS IN FACT A COMPETITOR AND A 14 DIRECT COMPETITOR, THAT WE HAVE BOTH A PRIOR BREACH AND A 15 THREATENED BREACH. AND MR. TORNOUIST AGREED IN EXECUTING ALL 16 THREE -- BOTH OF THOSE DOCUMENTS, ALL THREE OF THOSE PROVISIONS, 17 THAT IN THE EVENT OF BREACH OR THREATENED BREACH, THAT THERE IS 18 A CHANCE OF IMMINENT HARM AND INJUNCTION SHALL ISSUE. THAT IS 19 THE LANGUAGE OF THOSE AGREEMENTS. SO HE HAS ALREADY CONSENTED 2.0 TO THE FINDING OF IRREPARABLE HARM. HE'S SO CONSENTED TO THE 21 FACT THAT AN INJUNCTION SHALL ISSUE. AND IN FACT THOSE 2.2 AGREEMENTS EVEN GO SO FAR AS TO SAY THAT HE UNDERSTANDS THAT THE 23 AGREEMENTS ARE REASONABLY AND NARROWLY DRAFTED SO THAT HE WON'T 24 HAVE A PROBLEM GETTING A JOB IN THE FUTURE. HE JUST CAN'T GET A 25 JOB THAT DEALS WITH A COLLAGEN-BASED OR AN AMNION-BASED PRODUCT,

- 1 AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT HE'S DOING WITH RESPECT TO PREDICTIVE 2 TECHNOLOGIES.
- 3 I JUST WANT TO TOUCH BRIEFLY ON -- YOU KNOW, ON THE ISSUE
- 4 OF MODIFICATION AND BLUE PENCILING. AND I KNOW THAT YOUR HONOR
- 5 | HAD INDICATED THAT THERE MAY BE, YOU KNOW, OTHER MODIFICATIONS.
- 6 | CLEARLY THE GEORGIA RESTRICTIVE COVENANT ACT PROVIDES THAT
- 7 \blacksquare MODIFICATIONS ARE ALLOWED. AND MODIFICATION IS DEFINED THERE AS
- 8 A LIMITATION OF THE COVENANT TO REFLECT THE ACTUAL
- 9 CIRCUMSTANCES. SO, YOU KNOW, HERE THE ACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES ARE
- 10 THAT MR. TORNQUIST WOUND UP ONLY SELLING MIMEDX PRODUCTS TO
- 11 | MIMEDX CUSTOMERS IN MINNESOTA. AND SO, THEREFORE, THAT IS
- 12 ABSOLUTELY A REASONABLE RESTRICTION AND ONE THAT WE'VE, YOU
- 13 KNOW, OBVIOUSLY CONSENTED TO IN OUR PAPERS.
- 14 YOU KNOW, WITH RESPECT TO OTHER RESTRICTIONS, I THINK, YOU
- 15 KNOW, ONE OF THE OTHER ARGUMENTS THAT DEFENDANT MADE WAS THAT,
- 16 YOU KNOW, THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION ON THEIR PART AS TO THE
- 17 PRODUCTS THAT MR. TORNQUIST COULD OR COULDN'T SELL IN THE FUTURE
- 18 WITH RESPECT TO THE NON-COMPETE. AND I FIND THAT SOMEWHAT
- 19 INTERESTING BECAUSE MR. TORNOUIST IN HIS OWN AFFIDAVIT OR IN HIS
- 20 OWN DECLARATION ABOUT THE PRODUCTS THAT HE WAS AND WAS NOT GOING
- 21 TO BE SELLING FOR PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES USES THE EXACT
- 22 | LANGUAGE OF THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT WHICH CLEARLY INDICATES
- 23 THAT HE UNDERSTANDS THE PRODUCTS THAT HE CAN AND CAN'T SELL
- 24 UNDER THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT, UNDER THE NON-COMPETE, AND THE
- 25 CUSTOMERS THAT HE CAN AND HE CAN'T CONTACT WITH RESPECT TO THOSE

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- 2 EXTENT THAT THERE WAS SOME, YOU KNOW, CONFUSION OR QUESTION ON
- 3 THE COURT'S PART WITH RESPECT TO THE PRODUCTS THAT HE COULD OR
- 4 COULD NOT SELL POST -- POST EMPLOYMENT, YOU KNOW, THAT IS --
- 5 | THAT'S CLEARLY NOT AN ISSUE. AND THE -- THE ARGUMENT -- THE
- 6 | LEGAL ARGUMENTS ARE BELIED, I BELIEVE, BY -- YOU KNOW, NOT ONLY
- 7 BY MR. TORNQUIST'S DIRECT AFFIDAVIT, BUT ALSO BY THE FACT THAT
- 8 THAT IS CLEARLY SPELLED OUT IN THE AGREEMENT. AND WE'VE NOW
- 9 SUPPLIED AFFIDAVITS, DECLARATIONS FROM MR. LILLY AND MR. KOOB
- 10 | THAT DEFINE THE EXACT COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS FROM PREDICTIVE
- 11 | TECHNOLOGIES AND HOW THAT MESHES UP WITH THE PRODUCTS OF MIMEDX.
- 12 AND I KNOW THAT YOUR HONOR SAID THAT -- THAT -- THAT YOU
- 13 WERE -- YOU KNOW, WITH RESPECT TO MR. TORNQUIST'S
- 14 REPRESENTATIONS AS TO WHAT HE DID OR DIDN'T DO IN THE PAST --
- 15 AND, YOU KNOW, THAT I THINK THE MOST TELLING OF THOSE FROM OUR
- 16 PERSPECTIVE IS THE ADMISSION OF THE -- OF THE SALE OF PALINGEN
- 17 UNDER BOTH THE -- IN FACT UNDER ALL OF THE RESTRICTIVE
- 18 COVENANTS, THAT IN FACT ALONE IS -- CONSTITUTES BREACH. THE
- 19 NON- --
- 20 THE COURT: BUT THAT'S PAST HARM. I DON'T ENJOIN PAST
- 21 HARM.
- MS. MCGINNIS: SURE, SURE. BUT -- AND I THINK THAT WE
- 23 CAN ALL AGREE THAT, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE KEY PREDICTORS OF
- 24 | FUTURE BEHAVIOR IS PAST BEHAVIOR. AND I THINK WHAT'S IMPORTANT
- 25 TO LOOK AT IS THAT IN CONNECTION WITH THAT SALE OF PALINGEN,

THAT MR. TORNQUIST NEVER SOUGHT APPROVAL FROM MIMEDX TO MAKE 1 2 THAT SALE, NEVER EVEN BROUGHT IT TO THEIR ATTENTION. HE DID IT 3 IN SECRET. YOU KNOW, HE NEVER -- NEVER LET ANYBODY KNOW ABOUT 4 THERE'S A PROCESS AT MIMEDX FOR, YOU KNOW, IF YOU HAVE A 5 CONFLICT OF INTEREST, THERE'S A PROCESS THAT -- THAT SHOULD BE 6 FOLLOWED. THAT PROCESS WASN'T FOLLOWED HERE. IT WAS DONE IN --IT WAS DONE IN SECRET. IT WAS DONE WITHOUT LETTING ANYBODY KNOW 8 ABOUT IT, WITHOUT SEEKING AUTHORITY. IT'S SOMETHING THAT -- I 9 THINK THAT IS A STRONG PREDICTOR AS WELL. AND SO NOW WE HAVE 10 THIS AFFIDAVIT FROM MR. TORNOUIST THAT SAYS THAT HE'S GOING TO 11 PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES. AND I WAS KIND OF SHOCKED BECAUSE IN 12 THE EXACT SAME DECLARATION HE ADMITS THAT HE SOLD EPICORD, BUT 13 YET SAYS THAT HE WON'T BE SELLING A COMPETITIVE PRODUCT. 14 MR. TORNQUIST, BASED ON THE TRAINING AND THE TRADE SECRET DATA 15 THAT HE HAD ACCESS TO, HE SHOULD KNOW THAT THAT IS IN FACT A 16 COMPETITIVE PRODUCT, THAT THAT ALONE IS A COMPETITIVE PRODUCT. 17 AND BASED ON HIS TWO YEARS OF EXPERIENCE, YOU KNOW, OR ALMOST 18 TWO-AND-A-HALF YEARS OF EXPERIENCE WITH MIMEDX -- AND, YOU KNOW, 19 I MEAN, HE'S -- HE WILL TELL YOU HIMSELF HE'S ONE OF THE TOP 20 SELLERS. HE MADE ALMOST A MILLION DOLLARS LAST YEAR SELLING 21 MIMEDX PRODUCTS, THAT HE IS, YOU KNOW, FULLY VERSED IN WHAT 2.2 MIMEDX PRODUCTS ARE AND THEIR COMPETITORS, AND SO HE, THEREFORE, 23 SHOULD KNOW. SO NOT ONLY DID HE SELL PALINGEN IN SECRET, BUT 24 NOW HE'S ATTEMPTING TO KIND OF SAY, OH, BUT I -- YOU KNOW, I'M 25 NOT DOING IT AGAIN. AND THE LAW JUST DOESN'T SUPPORT THAT.

THE COURT: NOW, I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT THE 1 2 NON-SOLICITATION AGREEMENT BECAUSE YOU STATED THAT THE 3 AGREEMENTS THAT MR. TORNOUIST SIGNED WERE NARROW SUCH THAT HE'S 4 ONLY PREVENTED FROM WORKING IF HE'S TRYING TO SELL THESE 5 COLLAGEN -- AND I THINK THERE'S SOME SORT OF AMNIO TISSUE 6 PRODUCTS. MS. MCGINNIS: YES, MA'AM. 8 THE COURT: AT LEAST MY GLANCING AT THE 9 NON-SOLICITATION ARGUMENT WOULD SUGGEST THAT THAT IS BROADER 10 THAN JUST LIMITING IT TO THOSE TWO TYPES OF PRODUCTS, THAT IF HE 11 WERE TO SELL OTHER PRODUCTS TO HIS FORMER CLIENT, LIKE, THE 12 V.A., THEN HE WOULD POTENTIALLY BE IN BREACH OF THAT 13 NON-SOLICITATION AGREEMENT. IS THAT YOUR POSITION, OR HOW BROAD 14 ARE YOU READING THAT AGREEMENT? BECAUSE THAT WAS ONE THAT, AT 15 LEAST AT FIRST GLANCE, APPEARED THAT IT MAY NEED SOME MORE 16 LIMITING SUCH THAT IF HE WERE TO SELL POTENTIALLY GARDEN TOOLS 17 TO THE V.A. OR ANYTHING TO THE V.A., THAT HE COULD POSSIBLY BE 18 IN BREACH WHEN IT WOULDN'T NECESSARILY BE IN DIRECT COMPETITION 19 TO MIMEDX AND ANY OF THE TYPES OF THINGS THAT THEY SOLD. SO HOW 2.0 BROADLY ARE Y'ALL READING THIS NON-SOLICITATION CLAUSE? 21 MS. MCGINNIS: I BELIEVE THAT THE NON-SOLICITATION 2.2 CLAUSE IS LIMITED TO SOLICITATION OF COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS. AND 23 I BELIEVE THAT THAT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE GEORGIA RESTRICTIVE

25 THE COURT: SO YOU WOULD READ THE SAME --

COVENANT ACTS (VERBATIM) AS WELL --

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              MS. MCGINNIS: -- THE DEFINITION OF MATERIAL CONTACT.
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              THE COURT: SO YOU WOULD READ, YOU WOULD INTERPRET
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    THAT COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS AS YOU HAVE BEEN STATING HERE TODAY,
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    THE COLLAGEN, AND SO THAT WOULD KIND OF BE THE BLUE PENCILING OR
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    AT LEAST THE FURTHER DEFINING OF WHAT THAT RESTRICTIVE PIECE OF
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    THAT NON-SOLICITATION WOULD BE?
              MS. MCGINNIS: YEAH.
                                    THE LANGUAGE OF THE
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    NON-SOLICITATION IN FACT THAT I'M LOOKING AT IS TALKING ABOUT
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    HOW MR. TORNQUIST WILL NOT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY SOLICIT OR
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    ATTEMPT TO SOLICIT ANY OF THE CUSTOMERS WITH WHOM HE HAD
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    MATERIAL CONTACT AS DEFINED -- AND THE DEFINITION IS CONSISTENT
12
    WITH WHAT'S IN THE GEORGIA RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS ACT -- DURING
13
    THE LAST TWO YEARS OF HIS EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COMPANY, ANY
14
    BUSINESS IN COMPETITION WITH THE BUSINESS OF THE COMPANY.
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              THE COURT: DOES MIMEDX ONLY DO THESE TYPES OF
16
    COLLAGEN AND AMNIOTIC TISSUE PRODUCTS, OR DOES IT DO OTHER
17
    PRODUCTS AS WELL?
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              MS. MCGINNIS: WHAT MIMEDX DOES -- AND I MAY NEED A
19
    LITTLE BIT OF HELP. I MAY NEED TO PHONE A FRIEND A LITTLE BIT
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    ON THIS. BUT MIMEDX SELLS PRODUCTS THAT ARE COLLAGEN AND AMNION
21
    BASED, WHICH IS THE -- THE LANGUAGE THAT'S IN THE NON-COMPETE.
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    THEY'RE COLLAGEN AND AMNION-BASED MEDICAL PRODUCTS THAT THEY
23
    SELL, YOU KNOW, REALLY THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES IN
24
    PARTICULAR TO THE V.A. HOSPITALS, BUT THEY'RE REALLY COOL
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    PRODUCTS. THEY'RE PATENTED PRODUCTS THAT ARE USED IN THE -- IN
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- 1 THE WOUND-HEALING SPACE. SO --
- 2 THE COURT: WELL, I GUESS WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN IS
- 3 | THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A NON-SOLICITATION LIMITED TO THE
- 4 | COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS OF MIMEDX AND I DEFINE THAT AS COLLAGEN
- 5 BASED AND AMNIO TISSUE BASED, IS THAT THE WAY THAT YOUR POSITION
- 6 IS THAT SHOULD BE INTERPRETED, OR ARE THERE OTHER PRODUCTS THAT
- 7 MR. TORNOUIST DID NOT DIRECTLY SELL BUT WOULD BE LIMITED FROM
- 8 | SELLING TO POTENTIAL CLIENTS?
- 9 MS. MCGINNIS: THERE MAY BE SOME OTHERS. I'M GOING TO
- 10 LET MR. -- IF YOU DON'T MIND --
- 11 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 12 MS. MCGINNIS: -- MR. WARGO COME UP. BUT ONE THING
- 13 THAT I DO WANT TO ADDRESS THAT WE INDICATED IN THE LILLY
- 14 AFFIDAVIT IS WE HAVE -- AND, OF COURSE, THEY'RE TRADE SECRETS,
- 15 YOU KNOW, PROTECTED, SO WE DIDN'T FILE THEM, BUT WE HAVE THEM
- 16 WITH US. WE ACTUALLY HAD SPREADSHEETS THAT IDENTIFY WHAT MIMEDX
- 17 AT LEAST RIGHT HERE TODAY CURRENTLY BELIEVES ARE COMPETITIVE
- 18 PRODUCTS, AND THAT MIGHT BE --
- 19 THE COURT: THAT'S NOT REALLY WHAT I'M ASKING.
- MS. MCGINNIS: OKAY.
- 21 THE COURT: I'M ASKING HOW BROAD THE NON-SOLICITATION
- 22 AGREEMENT IS IN TERMS OF WHAT MR. TORNQUIST WILL BE ALLOWED TO
- 23 DO IN TERMS OF FUTURE JOBS? AND WHAT I WANT TO MAKE SURE IS
- 24 | THAT THIS NON-SOLICITATION AGREEMENT IS MIRRORING THE SAME
- 25 LANGUAGE AS THE REST OF IT BECAUSE IT'S NOT CLEAR TO ME WHEN IT

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STATES THAT HE CANNOT WORK -- HE CANNOT SOLICIT FORMER CLIENTS
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    IN COMPETITIVE BUSINESSES OF MIMEDX, HOW BROAD THAT IS. BECAUSE
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    I WOULD THINK THAT IN TERMS OF WHAT WOULD BE REASONABLE IN TERMS
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    OF THE NON-SOLICITATION IS LIMITING THAT MORE TOWARDS THE TYPES
 5
    OF SALES THAT MR. TORNQUIST DID FOR MIMEDX AND THE TYPE OF WORK
 6
   HE DID WOULD BE THE SCOPE OF THAT NON-SOLICITATION. AND IN BLUE
    PENCILING LIKE YOU MENTIONED, YOU KIND OF LOOK AT KIND OF THE
 8
    REALITIES OF WHAT'S GOING ON. AND TO ME WHEN I READ THE
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   NON-SOLICITATION, I'M NOT ENTIRELY SURE HOW BROAD THAT IS.
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    IF THE POSITION IS THAT IT SHOULD MIRROR THAT COLLAGEN, AMNIO
11
    TISSUE LANGUAGE WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT PREVIOUSLY, THAT
    ANSWERS MY QUESTION. BUT IF MIMEDX DOES A LOT OF OTHER THINGS
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    SO THAT YOU WOULD BE SEEKING TO PREVENT MR. TORNOUIST FROM DOING
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    KIND OF ALL MEDICAL SALES OR SELLING OTHER TYPES OF PRODUCTS TO
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    THE V.A., THAT WOULD BE OF MORE CONCERN THAN JUST LIMITING HIM
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    TO SELLING THE PRODUCTS THAT WERE DIRECTLY IN COMPETITION TO THE
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    PRODUCTS HE SOLD FOR MIMEDX. AND THAT CLAUSE IS NOT CLEAR TO
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    ME.
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              MS. MCGINNIS: RIGHT. IT -- OUR POSITION IS THAT IT
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    SHOULD BE THE COLLAGEN-BASED BIOMATERIALS AND/OR PRODUCTS.
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    DURABLE HYDROGEL BIOMATERIALS OR PRODUCTS, BIOIMPLANTS
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   MANUFACTURED FROM HUMAN AMNIOTIC MEMBRANE OR AMNION-BASED
23
    PRODUCTS THAT MIMEDX SELLS. SO JUST THOSE -- THOSE TYPES OF
24
   PRODUCTS. AND THAT IS -- AND I'M READING FROM THE
25
    CONFIDENTIALITY NON-SOLICITATION LANGUAGE AS TO WHAT THE
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1 BUSINESS OF MIMEDX IS.

THE COURT: AND IS THAT WHAT MR. TORNQUIST DID, DID HE

3 | SELL ALL OF MIMEDX PRODUCTS OR WAS HE LIMITED TO CERTAIN

PRODUCTS?

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5 MR. WARGO: JUST POINTS OF FACT, YOUR HONOR, BECAUSE I

6 DIDN'T KNOW THE ANSWER. I'M GLAD LEXI IS HERE. YOUR HONOR, I

BELIEVE THE LANGUAGE DOES SAY COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS. AND YOU'RE

8 OBVIOUSLY GIVING US YOUR INDICATION AND YOU THINK THAT MAY BE

9 OVERBROAD. OBVIOUSLY THIS IS IN THE DISCRETION OF YOUR HONOR,

BUT WE BELIEVE COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS IS BROADER THAN JUST THE

11 AMNIOTIC --

MS. MCGINNIS: AMNIOTIC.

13 MR. WARGO: THANK YOU -- FLUID AND UMBILICAL CORD

14 PRODUCTS. IN PARTICULAR, WE HAVE A BONE-AND-SKIN PRODUCT THAT

15 WOULD BE -- COULD -- WE -- THAT WE SELL THAT WHAT WE'RE SEEKING

16 IN THIS ORDER, FROM AN ORDER FROM YOUR HONOR TODAY, IT WOULD

17 INCLUDE THAT. THIS WOULD BE SELLING INTO THE SAME HOSPITALS,

18 THE SAME DOCTORS, THE SAME HOSPITALS (VERBATIM). THAT IS A

19 COMPETITIVE PRODUCT BECAUSE WE SELL THAT PRODUCT. THAT IS OUR

20 POSITION, YOUR HONOR, BECAUSE THE COVENANT CONTEMPLATES OUR

21 PRODUCTS AND PRODUCTS THAT HE CAN'T SELL BEING COMPETITIVE

22 THERETO. SO THE ONLY ADDITION TO WHAT MS. MCGINNIS SAID WOULD

23 BE BONE-AND-SKIN PRODUCT THAT WE WOULD ASK THAT WE HAVE RELIEF

24 HERE. AGAIN, WE UNDERSTAND WHAT YOUR HONOR HAS SAID THAT YOU'RE

25 CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. I WOULD SAY -- I WOULD STATE THEY HAVEN'T

1 | RESPECTFULLY RAISED THIS ARGUMENT. WE MAY HEAR THAT THEY'RE

- 2 GOING TO SAY SO TODAY, BUT THEY HAVE NOT --
- THE COURT: WITH A T.R.O. THEY TEND TO BE A LITTLE
- 4 | FLUID BECAUSE PEOPLE DON'T TEND TO HAVE AS MUCH TIME TO RESPOND.
- 5 | BUT DID MR. TORNQUIST SELL THE BONE-AND-SKIN PRODUCT?
- 6 MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, I DO NOT KNOW.
- 7 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 8 MR. WARGO: WE'RE NOT READY TO RESPOND TO THAT. I'M
- 9 SORRY.
- 10 THE COURT: OKAY. WELL, HE MAY KNOW TOO.
- 11 MS. MCGINNIS: YEAH.
- 12 THE COURT: OKAY. THANK YOU. THAT HELPS IN THAT
- 13 REGARD.
- 14 MS. MCGINNIS: I THINK, YOUR HONOR, THAT I HAVE -- AND
- 15 PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS, BUT I
- 16 THINK THAT I HAVE ADDRESSED --
- 17 THE COURT: THE BOND.
- MS. MCGINNIS: OH, THE BOND.
- 19 THE COURT: YES.
- 20 MS. MCGINNIS: YEAH. I DO KNOW THAT WE'VE LOOKED AT
- 21 THE BOND OBVIOUSLY. WE'RE -- YOU KNOW, THE BOND ISSUE. YOU
- 22 KNOW, TO THE EXTENT THAT THE COURT ORDERS A BOND, YOU KNOW, WE
- 23 WOULD BE WILLING TO POST ONE. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT IN THIS
- 24 PARTICULAR CASE THAT A BOND MAY NOT BE NECESSARY. YOU KNOW,
- 25 THESE ARE THE AGREEMENTS THAT MR. TORNQUIST HAS ALREADY SIGNED,

1 | ALREADY AGREED TO, AND HE'S ADMITTED IN THOSE AGREEMENTS. AND

- 2 LET ME FIND THE LANGUAGE FOR YOU. THAT THESE AGREEMENTS WON'T
- 3 CAUSE HIM HARM IN TRYING TO FIND FUTURE EMPLOYMENT. SO TO THE
- 4 EXTENT THAT ANY BOND IS REQUIRED, IT SHOULD BE A MINIMAL BOND.
- 5 | IF YOU GIVE ME JUST ONE SECOND, YOUR HONOR, I WILL FIND THAT
- 6 | EXACT PROVISION FOR YOU. APPARENTLY I SHOULD HAVE HIGHLIGHTED
- 7 | IT. IT'S IN THE -- IT'S IN THE NON-SOLICITATION PROVISION, YOUR
- 8 HONOR, IN PARAGRAPH FIVE. AT THE VERY BOTTOM IT SAYS, THE
- 9 EMPLOYEE REPRESENTS THAT EMPLOYEE'S EXPERIENCE AND ABILITIES ARE
- 10 SUCH THAT THE EXISTENCE AND ENFORCEMENT OF THESE COVENANTS AND
- 11 PROMISES WILL NOT PREVENT THE EMPLOYEE FROM EARNING OR PURSUING
- 12 AN ADEQUATE LIVELIHOOD AND WILL NOT CAUSE AN UNDUE BURDEN TO THE
- 13 EMPLOYEE OR THE EMPLOYEE'S FAMILY BY THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE --
- 14 OF THE PROVISION.
- 15 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 16 MS. MCGINNIS: SO. OKAY. THANK YOU. WE WILL RESPOND
- 17 AS NECESSARY LATER. THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.
- 18 THE COURT: YOU'RE WELCOME.
- 19 OKAY. MR. ROBERTS.
- 20 MR. ROBERTS: JUST A COUPLE OF SECONDS, YOUR HONOR.
- 21 THE COURT: NO. THAT'S FINE. TAKE YOUR TIME. I'M
- 22 RAISING A LOT OF ISSUES WITH STUFF. AND I'M MORE INTERESTED IN
- 23 GETTING THE INFORMATION THAN ANYTHING, SO TAKING A FEW MINUTES
- 24 IS NOT A PROBLEM.
- 25 MR. ROBERTS: SURE. MAY I APPROACH, YOUR HONOR?

1 THE COURT: SURE.

2 MR. ROBERTS: MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT. THANK YOUR 3 HONOR. I WANTED TO THANK THE COURT FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO 4 APPEAR BEFORE IT TODAY. WE -- THESE CASES, THESE TYPES OF 5 PROCEEDINGS BY THEIR NATURE ARE ALWAYS VERY TOUGH ON THE 6 ATTORNEYS AND THE LITIGANTS AND THE COURT BECAUSE OF THE SPEED IN WHICH THEY NORMALLY PROCEED. SO WE'VE DONE OUR BEST, YOUR 8 HONOR, IN THE SHORT TIME FRAME INVOLVED TO TRY TO LAY OUT 9 EVERYTHING WE CAN IN THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY POSSIBLE FOR 10 CONSIDERATION BY THE COURT. I APPRECIATE THE COURT'S STATEMENTS 11 AT THE BEGINNING ASKING US TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THINGS 12 THAT YOU'VE FOCUSED ON WHICH I WILL ATTEMPT TO DO, YOUR HONOR. 13 HOWEVER, THERE ARE SOME ISSUES THAT I WOULD LIKE TO GET INTO THE 14 RECORD. AND SO WHAT MY INTENTION WAS TODAY, YOUR HONOR, IS THAT 15 I WOULD TALK ABOUT THE FACTS, THE UNDERLYING FACTS AND 16 CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE, AND THEN TALK ABOUT THE LAW THAT'S 17 APPLICABLE TO THE CASE. AND THEN I WOULD ASK THE COURT FOR THE 18 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THE COURT HEAR FROM MR. TORNOUIST WHO'S HERE 19 TODAY ON SOME OF THESE ISSUES. I THINK THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT, 20 YOUR HONOR. AND IF WE ARE HERE INDEED IN THE CONTEXT OF A 21 PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING, I WOULD RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST TO 22 THE COURT THAT, GIVEN THE WEIGHT AND SERIOUSNESS OF WHAT -- OF 23 THE RELIEF THAT PLAINTIFF IS SEEKING TODAY, HEARING FROM 24 MR. TORNQUIST WOULD BE VERY BENEFICIAL TO THE COURT, ESPECIALLY 25 ON SOME OF THESE MORE TECHNICAL ISSUES REGARDING THE PRODUCTS

1 THAT HE DID SELL AND THE PRODUCTS THAT HE'S INTENDING TO SELL

- 2 AND AS TO ISSUES OF WHAT HE HAS AND HAS NOT DONE IN THE PAST. I
- 3 | THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE COURT TO HEAR FROM HIM. SO AT
- 4 | THE CONCLUSION OF MY PRESENTATION I WOULD ASK IF THE COURT WOULD
- 5 ALLOW US TO HAVE MR. TORNQUIST TESTIFY AS TO SOME OF THESE
- 6 ISSUES.
- 7 THE COURT: OKAY. WE'LL SEE WHAT ISSUES WE KIND OF
- 8 HAVE LEFT AT THAT POINT.
- 9 MR. ROBERTS: OKAY. OKAY. LET ME START OFF -- LET ME
- 10 START OFF WITH SOME OF THE FACTS, YOUR HONOR. THE -- WHAT I --
- 11 WHAT I THINK IS MAYBE A LITTLE BIT OVERLOOKED HERE TODAY AND
- 12 | CERTAINLY HASN'T BEEN DISCUSSED IS THAT MIMEDX COMES BEFORE THE
- 13 COURT TODAY, YOUR HONOR, WITH THE UNCLEANEST OF HANDS. THIS
- 14 COURT IS SITTING IN EQUITY AND MIMEDX COMES BEFORE IT WITH
- 15 UNCLEAN HANDS. AT ITS CORE, THIS CASE IS ABOUT A RETALIATORY
- 16 FFFORT BY MIMEDX TO ATTEMPT TO PREVENT MY CLIENT FROM PURSUING
- 17 LEGITIMATE WHISTLE-BLOWER CLAIMS THAT HE FIRST INITIATED IN
- 18 | MINNESOTA, AND THOSE CLAIMS ARE NOW BEFORE THIS COURT. AND
- 19 THOSE CLAIMS RELATE TO UNLAWFUL FINANCIAL PRACTICES THAT MIMEDX
- 20 WERE ENGAGED IN.
- 21 I HAVE -- WE SUBMITTED A COPY OF THE MINNESOTA COMPLAINT.
- 22 OBVIOUSLY THOSE CLAIMS ARE NOW OUR COUNTERCLAIMS IN THIS COURT,
- 23 SO I WON'T SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF THE COURT'S TIME GOING THROUGH
- 24 THOSE. BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE AND AS A MATTER OF
- 25 EQUITY AND AS A MATTER OF THE AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE WE'VE RAISED

1 OF UNCLEAN HANDS FOR THE COURT TO BE MINDFUL THAT, AT LEAST FROM

- 2 OUR PERSPECTIVE, OUR CLIENT IS NOT THE BAD GUY HERE. OUR CLIENT
- 3 BEGAN WORKING FOR MIMEDX AND HE BECAME VERY SUCCESSFUL. HE DID
- 4 VERY WELL. HE SOLD OVER \$6.3 MILLION OF PRODUCTS FOR MIMEDX IN
- 5 | 2016. HE RAISED ISSUES OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING IRREGULARITY,
- 6 | PARDON ME, WITH THE COMPANY IN 2016 AND WAS RETALIATED AGAINST,
- 7 | NOT PAID COMMISSIONS DUE TO HIM. AND THEN WHEN THE -- WHEN MY
- 8 CLIENT ATTEMPTED TO MEDIATE THOSE CLAIMS WITH MIMEDX, HE WAS
- 9 TERMINATED AT THAT MEDIATION, AND THEN THE VERY NEXT DAY THIS
- 10 LAWSUIT WAS FILED AGAINST MY CLIENT.
- 11 SO I JUST THINK IT'S IMPORTANT, YOUR HONOR, THAT WE NOT
- 12 OVERLOOK THE FACT THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF UNDERLYING
- 13 CIRCUMSTANCES IN THIS CASE. I KNOW WE'RE TALKING ABOUT
- 14 RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS AND I KNOW WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE
- 15 ELEMENTS OF ESTABLISHING OR NOT ESTABLISHING INJUNCTIVE RELIEF.
- 16 BUT I WOULD ENCOURAGE THE COURT AND IMPLORE THE COURT TO TAKE A
- 17 LOOK AT THE PLEADINGS AND TO TAKE THOSE FACTORS INTO
- 18 | CONSIDERATION IN THE COURT'S DETERMINATION.
- 19 THE -- AND I WOULD AGAIN SPECIFICALLY REQUEST THE COURT TO
- 20 HEAR FROM MR. TORNOUIST ON THIS, BUT TO THE BEST OF MY
- 21 KNOWLEDGE, YOUR HONOR, THE ONLY THING WRONG MY CLIENT HAS EVEN
- 22 ARGUABLY EVER DONE AS IT RELATES TO HIS EMPLOYMENT WITH MIMEDX
- 23 WAS AT THE REQUEST OF TWO PHYSICIANS BACK IN THE EARLY PART OF
- 24 2016 BEFORE ANY OF THIS -- THESE SITUATIONS CAME UP. AT THE
- 25 REQUEST OF TWO PHYSICIANS WHO MR. TORNQUIST HAD BEEN SELLING

- 1 | MIMEDX PRODUCTS TO, THESE TWO PHYSICIANS INFORMED
- 2 MR. TORNQUIST -- AND THIS IS -- THIS IS IN THE AFFIDAVITS, NOT
- 3 ONLY OF MR. TORNOUIST, BUT ARE ALSO OF MR. KRUCHOSKI. THESE TWO
- 4 | PHYSICIANS INFORMED MR. TORNQUIST THAT THE EPIFIX MIMEDX -- THE
- 5 | MIMEDX EPIFIX PRODUCT THAT HE WAS SELLING TO THEM WAS NOT
- 6 WORKING.
- 7 THE COURT: NOW, I'LL TELL YOU, MR. ROBERTS, I'M NOT
- 8 OVERLY PERSUADED BY THE ARGUMENT FROM THE PLAINTIFFS IN TERMS OF
- 9 THE PAST CONDUCT AND SALES. I DID READ ALL THAT INFORMATION --
- 10 MR. ROBERTS: I UNDERSTAND.
- 11 THE COURT: -- IN THE BRIEFS. AND I THINK, AT THE
- 12 MINIMUM, THERE IS A QUESTION OF FACT AS TO THAT SCENARIO. SC
- 13 I'M NOT GOING TO BE BASING MY OPINION IN TERMS OF THE INJUNCTION
- 14 ON THAT PARTICULAR SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES. I'M REALLY MORE
- 15 INTERESTED IN THE FUTURE AND KIND OF THE TECHNICAL ISSUES ABOUT
- 16 WHAT HIS NEW JOB WILL ENTAIL, HOW THAT MIGHT COMPETE DIRECTLY
- 17 WITH WHAT HE DID AT MIMEDX, WHAT PRODUCTS HE WOULD BE SELLING.
- 18 AND THAT'S REALLY KIND OF THE GIST OF KIND OF WHAT I'M REALLY
- 19 INTERESTED IN.
- 20 MR. ROBERTS: AND I UNDERSTAND, YOUR HONOR. AND,
- 21 AGAIN, THAT'S WHY I'M SUGGESTING TO THE COURT AND IMPLORING THE
- 22 COURT TO HEAR DIRECTLY FROM MR. TORNQUIST WHO IS IN THE BEST
- 23 POSITION TO TALK ABOUT THOSE ISSUES. WE GOT THIS AFFIDAVIT --
- 24 THE COURT: WELL, DO YOU WANT TO PUT MR. TORNOUIST UP
- 25 NOW? I MEAN, THAT MAY --

1 MR. ROBERTS: I WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO DO THAT,

- 2 YOUR HONOR. THAT WOULD ACTUALLY --
- THE COURT: IT SEEMS LIKE IT MAKES MORE SENSE.
- 4 MR. ROBERTS: I THINK IT DOES. I THINK IT DOES, YOUR
- 5 | HONOR, AND THAT WAY I CAN -- THAT WOULD CONCLUDE MY FACTUAL
- 6 RECITATION, AND THEN I CAN GO INTO THE LAW.
- 7 THE COURT: OKAY. AND I WILL TELL YOU, TOO, LIKE I
- 8 SAID A MOMENT AGO, I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO SPEND THE TIME
- 9 TALKING ABOUT THE PAST. WHAT I REALLY WANT TO TALK ABOUT IS THE
- 10 FUTURE. SO I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO GO BACK OVER THE
- 11 CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE PAST WHEN HE WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE VIOLATED
- 12 THE NON-COMPETE, BUT I REALLY WANT TO HEAR MORE ABOUT HIS PLANS
- 13 AND THIS NEW PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES JOB AND EXACTLY HOW THAT
- 14 MAY OR MAY NOT COMPETE WITH MIMEDX. BECAUSE IF I WERE TO ISSUE
- 15 AN INJUNCTION, IT WOULD BE DIRECTED TO HIS FUTURE ACTIVITIES AND
- 16 WHAT IT IS THAT HE PLANS TO DO, AND THAT WOULD BE THE ISSUE OF
- 17 IMMINENT HARM.
- 18 MR. ROBERTS: RIGHT.
- 19 THE COURT: SO LET'S FOCUS ON KIND OF THOSE SPECIFIC
- 20 AREAS.
- MR. ROBERTS: AND I WILL DO SO, YOUR HONOR. BUT JUST
- 22 TO CLARIFY, I WOULD ASK THAT THE COURT HEAR BRIEFLY -- AND I
- 23 WILL BE AS BRIEF AS I CAN -- FROM MR. TORNQUIST ON THE ISSUE
- 24 REGARDING WHAT LED TO HIS TERMINATION, AND LET ME EXPLAIN TO THE
- 25 COURT WHY THAT'S IMPORTANT.

1 THE COURT: WELL, I WILL TELL YOU THAT AT THIS POINT

- 2 I'M KIND OF INFERRING ALL THE FACTS IN YOUR CLIENT'S FAVOR.
- 3 MR. ROBERTS: I UNDERSTAND.
- 4 THE COURT: IF YOU DO SOMETHING TO CHANGE MY MIND,
- 5 THAT MAY HURT YOU.
- 6 MR. ROBERTS: THEN I'LL BE QUIET ON THAT, YOUR HONOR.
- 7 THE COURT: I'M TELLING YOU AT THIS POINT I'M NOT
- 8 PUTTING THAT AGAINST YOU AND YOU'RE WANTING TO ARGUE WITH ME
- 9 ABOUT THAT, WHICH I WILL LET YOU, BUT THAT CAN ONLY GO SOUTH FOR
- 10 YOU.
- MR. ROBERTS: WELL, I KNOW WHEN TO BE QUIET, YOUR
- 12 HONOR, ON THAT. SO --
- 13 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 14 MR. ROBERTS: IF THEN IT PLEASE THE COURT, I WOULD
- 15 CALL LUKE TORNOUIST.
- 16 COURTROOM DEPUTY CLERK: WILL YOU PLEASE RAISE YOUR
- 17 RIGHT HAND.
- 18 (WITNESS SWORN.)
- 19 COURTROOM DEPUTY CLERK: THANK YOU. AND YOU MAY BE
- 20 SEATED.
- MR. ROBERTS: AND, YOUR HONOR, BEFORE I START, I DON'T
- 22 WANT TO GET SIDEWAYS WITH THE COURT. I DO THINK IT -- YOU WERE
- 23 TALKING ABOUT PAST THINGS. I DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR
- 24 MR. TORNOUIST TO FULLY EXPLAIN TO THE COURT WHAT HE WAS SELLING
- 25 FOR MIMEDX. SO WOULD THE COURT BE OKAY WITH ME GOING INTO THAT?

1	THE COURT: THAT'S FINE.		
2	MR. ROBERTS: BECAUSE THEN WE NEED TO COMPARE IT TO		
3	WHAT HE'S GOING TO BE DOING.		
4	THE COURT: BUT THAT'S WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN.		
5	MR. ROBERTS: YES, MA'AM.		
6	THE COURT: AND I WILL ALLOW COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFFS TO		
7	7 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO CROSS-EXAMINE HIM AS WELL.		
8	MR. ROBERTS: CERTAINLY.		
9	THE COURT: BECAUSE WHAT I'M REALLY TRYING TO DECIDE		
10	IS IF I NEED TO ENTER AN INJUNCTION PREVENTING MR. TORNQUIST		
11	FROM DOING THIS PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES JOB. THAT TO ME IS WHAT		
12	WE'RE DEALING WITH HERE TODAY. THAT'S THE POTENTIAL IMMINENT		
13	HARM. SO THAT'S WHAT I NEED TO UNDERSTAND, IS WHAT THIS NEW JOB		
14	IS AND HOW THAT COMPETES WITH HIS OLD JOB		
15	MR. ROBERTS: CERTAINLY. I UNDERSTAND.		
16	<u>LUCAS ALAN TORNQUIST</u>		
17	CALLED AS A WITNESS BY THE DEFENDANT, AFTER HAVING		
18	BEEN FIRST DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:		
19	DIRECT EXAMINATION		
20	BY MR. ROBERTS:		
21	Q. WOULD YOU PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.		
22	A. LUCAS ALAN TORNQUIST.		
23	Q. AND, MR. TORNQUIST, WHERE DO YOU LIVE?		
24	A. ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.		
25	MR. ROBERTS: I'M SORRY. COULD YOU SPEAK UP JUST A		

- 1 LITTLE BIT?
- 2 THE COURT: ACTUALLY SPEAK INTO THE MICROPHONE BECAUSE
- 3 THAT'S FEED FOR ALL THE SPEAKERS HERE.
- THE WITNESS: ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.
- 5 BY MR. ROBERTS:
- 6 Q. OKAY. AND WERE YOU FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY MIMEDX?
- 7 A. YES.
- 8 Q. IN WHAT CAPACITY?
- 9 A. I WAS AN ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE IN MINNESOTA.
- 10 Q. WHEN DID YOU FIRST BECOME EMPLOYED BY MIMEDX?
- 11 A. OCTOBER 2013.
- 12 | O. AND DURING YOUR EMPLOYMENT WITH MIMEDX DID YOU HAVE A
- 13 | SPECIFIC TERRITORY THAT YOU WORKED IN?
- 14 A. AT FIRST I WAS THE ONLY REP IN MINNESOTA, AND BY THE TIME
- 15 MY EMPLOYMENT ENDED I WAS ONE OF -- I WAS ONE OF FOUR THAT WAS
- 16 IN MINNESOTA. SO WE ALL HAD DIFFERENT -- DIFFERENT HOSPITALS
- 17 AND ACCOUNTS THAT WE WOULD CALL ON.
- 18 | O. DID YOU EVER WORK FOR MIMEDX OUTSIDE OF MINNESOTA?
- 19 A. NO.
- 20 O. AND DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS OF YOUR EMPLOYMENT DID YOU
- 21 WORK IN THE ENTIRETY OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA?
- 22 A. NO.
- 23 O. OR JUST PARTICULAR PARTS?
- 24 A. JUST PARTICULAR PARTS.
- 25 Q. AND WHICH WERE THOSE PARTS?

- 1 | A. I HAD A COUPLE HOSPITALS IN THE TWIN CITIES. I HAD A
- 2 | HOSPITAL IN ROCHESTER DOWN SOUTH ABOUT AN HOUR AND A HALF OF
- 3 | THERE, AND I PROBABLY HAVE FIVE TO SIX DIFFERENT HOSPITALS AND
- 4 CLINICS IN WESTERN MINNESOTA.
- 5 | Q. OKAY. MINNESOTA IS A PRETTY BIG GEOGRAPHIC STATE; IS THAT
- 6 FAIR TO SAY?
- 7 A. CORRECT.
- 8 Q. OKAY. AND WERE THERE LARGE AREAS OF MINNESOTA THAT YOU
- 9 NEVER PROVIDED SERVICES TO DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS FOR MIMEDX?
- 10 A. YES.
- 11 Q. OKAY. WHAT TYPE OF PRODUCTS, MR. TORNQUIST, DID YOU SELL
- 12 FOR MIMEDX?
- 13 A. I SOLD A PRODUCT CALLED AMNIOFIX, AND THAT COMES IN A
- 14 MEMBRANE FORM AND AN INJECTION FORM, AND THAT IS MADE FROM
- 15 PLACENTA. SO IT'S THE AMNION AND CHORION LAYERS OF PLACENTA.
- 16 AND IT'S DEHYDRATED. SO ON TOP OF THAT I ALSO SOLD AMNIOFIX AND
- 17 EPIFIX AS AN INJECTABLE, AND THEY MICRONIZE THAT SAME TISSUE AND
- 18 THEN YOU CAN ADD -- IT COMES IN A GLASS VIAL, AND YOU CAN ADD
- 19 SALINE TO IT TO MAKE AN INJECTABLE WITH IT. AND BEGINNING EARLY
- 20 OR MID 2016, I SOLD A PRODUCT THAT WAS A DEHYDRATED UMBILICAL
- 21 CORD MEMBRANE, AND THOSE ARE THE MAIN PRODUCTS FOR -- THOSE ARE
- 22 THE ONLY PRODUCTS OF MIMEDX THAT I EVER SOLD.
- 23 Q. OKAY. ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH YOUR -- WHAT WE'VE CALLED YOUR
- 24 NON-COMPETE AGREEMENT?
- 25 A. I AM, YES.

- 1 | O. AND ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE FACT THAT YOUR NON-COMPETE
- 2 | AGREEMENT LISTS WHAT I THINK ARE THREE DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF
- 3 | PRODUCTS THAT YOU ARE PURPORTEDLY PRECLUDED FROM SELLING?
- 4 A. YES.
- 5 Q. OKAY. SO LET ME ASK YOU THIS. ON BEHALF OF MIMEDX DID YOU
- 6 | EVER SELL COLLAGEN-BASED BIOMATERIALS AND PRODUCTS?
- 7 A. A COLLAGEN-BASED TISSUE, YES.
- 8 Q. OKAY. AND DID YOU EVER SELL DURABLE HYDROGEL BIOMATERIALS
- 9 AND PRODUCTS?
- 10 A. NO.
- 11 O. OKAY. AND DID YOU SELL BIOIMPLANTS PROCESSED FROM HUMAN
- 12 AMNIOTIC MEMBRANE?
- 13 A. YES.
- 14 O. AND DID YOU SELL OTHER AMNION-BASED PRODUCTS?
- 15 A. I GUESS I DON'T KNOW HOW TO ANSWER THAT. OTHER
- 16 AMNION-BASED -- I MEAN, IT WAS BASICALLY ALL AMNIOTIC TISSUE.
- 17 Q. OKAY. ALL RIGHT. AND COULD YOU TELL ME A LITTLE BIT MORE
- 18 ABOUT WHAT THESE PRODUCTS DO? WHAT DOES EPIFIX DO?
- 19 A. EPIFIX IS USED TO REGENERATE TISSUE, SO A LOT OF TIMES WE
- 20 USE IT FOR WOUNDS. YOU COULD PLACE IT IN A WOUND, AND IT WOULD
- 21 HELP THE WOUND TO REGENERATE ITSELF. SO IT HAS A LOT OF
- 22 DIFFERENT GROWTH FACTORS AND COLLAGEN AND THINGS IN IT THAT HELP
- 23 WOUNDS TO HEAL QUICKLY.
- 24 O. OKAY. AND WHAT DID -- WHAT DID THE PRODUCT EPICORD THAT
- 25 YOU SOLD, WHAT DID -- WHAT DOES THAT DO? HOW ARE -- AND HOW IS

- 1 THAT DIFFERENT FROM THE EPIFIX?
- 2 | A. EPICORD IS MADE FROM THE UMBILICAL CORD DEHYDRATED, SO IT
- 3 HAS A LOT OF THE SAME THINGS THAT EPIFIX HAS IN IT. IT JUST HAS
- 4 | A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT MAKE-UPS OF DIFFERENT THINGS. SO IT'S
- 5 | STILL A MEMBRANE. WE STILL USED IT IN WOUNDS. SO BASICALLY
- 6 IT'S USED TO REGENERATE AND HEAL WOUNDS.
- 7 | O. OKAY. AND I BELIEVE THERE WAS ONE MORE PRODUCT THAT YOU
- 8 INDICATED YOU HAD SOLD. WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THAT PRODUCT?
- 9 A. AMNIOFIX.
- 10 O. OKAY. AND WHAT DOES AMNIOFIX DO?
- 11 A. AMNIOFIX IS THE SAME -- BASICALLY THE SAME MAKE-UP AS
- 12 | EPIFIX, BUT IT HAS -- IT DOES NOT HAVE THE EPITHELIAL LAYER IN
- 13 IT THAT EPIFIX DOES. IN BETWEEN AMNION AND CHORION AND THE
- 14 | PLACENTA, THERE'S AN EPITHELIAL LAYER. AND THEY TAKE THAT LAYER
- 15 OFF FOR THE AMNIOFIX. IT'S A VERY SMALL LAYER AND IT'S JUST
- 16 LIKE YOUR SKIN, IS BASICALLY WHAT THE EPITHELIAL LAYER IS. AND
- 17 YOU WOULD USE AMNIOFIX IN SURGERIES TO, LIKE, WRAP TENDONS WITH
- 18 AND NERVES WITH OR TO RE-USE IN, LIKE, SPINE SURGERIES TO KEEP
- 19 SCAR TISSUE FROM FORMING, IS WHAT THAT PRODUCT WAS SUPPOSED TO
- 20 BE USED FOR.
- 21 Q. AND SINCE THE -- NOT TO GET INTO ALL THE DETAILS REGARDING
- 22 THESE TWO SALES THAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT, BUT SINCE YOUR
- 23 DEPARTURE FROM -- YOUR TERMINATION, YOUR INVOLUNTARY TERMINATION
- 24 FROM MIMEDX, HAVE YOU SOLD ANY TYPE OF COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS ON
- 25 BEHALF OF ANY PERSON OR ENTITY?

- 1 A. NO.
- 2 | Q. AND EITHER DURING OR SUBSEQUENT TO YOUR INVOLUNTARY
- 3 TERMINATION FROM MIMEDX HAVE YOU EVER USED OR DISCLOSED ANY TYPE
- 4 OF MIMEDX CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION OR TRADE SECRETS?
- 5 | A. I OPENED UP ONE OR TWO DOCUMENTS ON MY I-BOOKS IN FRONT OF
- 6 LAWYERS AT THEIR REQUEST, BUT THAT IS ALL.
- 7 THE COURT: AND, MR. TORNQUIST, YOU TALKED ABOUT SOME
- 8 GENERAL CATEGORIES OF PRODUCTS. WOULD YOU JUST GIVE ME THE
- 9 ACTUAL NAMES OF ALL THE PRODUCTS YOU SOLD FOR MIMEDX.
- 10 THE WITNESS: SURE. I SOLD THE EPIFIX MEMBRANE; THE
- 11 EPIFIX MICRONIZED INJECTION, IS WHAT IT'S CALLED; THE AMNIOFIX
- 12 MEMBRANE; THE AMNIOFIX INJECTION; AND THE EPICORD.
- 13 THE COURT: OKAY. THANK YOU.
- 14 BY MR. ROBERTS:
- 15 O. ALL RIGHT. MR. TORNOUIST, WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT EMPLOYMENT
- 16 | SITUATION?
- 17 A. I WAS HIRED WITH PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES THIS MONDAY.
- 18 O. OKAY. AND WHAT WOULD YOU -- WHAT WILL PRESUMABLY -- HAVE
- 19 YOU MADE ANY SALES FOR PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES?
- 20 A. NO.
- 21 Q. OKAY. HAVE YOU SOLICITED ANY OF YOUR FORMER CUSTOMERS WITH
- 22 WHOM YOU HAD ANY TYPE OF DEALINGS IN THE LAST -- DURING THE LAST
- 23 YEARS DURING YOUR EMPLOYMENT WITH MIMEDX ON BEHALF OF PREDICTIVE
- 24 TECHNOLOGIES?
- 25 A. NO.

1 | O. OKAY. WHAT -- WHAT EXACTLY ARE YOU GOING TO BE DOING FOR

- 2 PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES?
- 3 | A. SO WOULD YOU LIKE TO HEAR, LIKE, THEIR PRODUCTS AND MY TAKE
- 4 ON THAT, OR WHAT MY ROLE WILL BE WITH --
- 5 | Q. WELL, FIRST OF ALL, WHAT -- YES, GO AHEAD AND DESCRIBE THE
- 6 PRODUCTS THAT YOU ARE ANTICIPATING TO BE SELLING AND YOUR TAKE,
- 7 AS YOU SAID.
- 8 | A. SO PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES IS A -- IT'S A GENETIC COMPANY
- 9 BASICALLY AS A WHOLE. SO THEY HAVE THE SECOND LARGEST GENETIC
- 10 DATABASE IN THE WORLD, THE FIRST LARGEST IN THE COUNTRY. AND
- 11 WHAT THE -- WHAT THE COMPANY DOES IS THEY'RE ABLE TO -- THEY
- 12 HAVE A PREDICTIVE TEST THAT DOCTORS CAN SWAB THEIR PATIENTS'
- 13 TONGUE WITH AND SEND THAT TEST TO PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES.
- 14 THEY'RE ABLE TO LOOK UP AND FIND THE GENETIC MARKERS IN THEIR --
- 15 IN THAT PLASMA IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE PREDISPOSED FOR
- 16 ENDOMETRIOSIS OR DEGENERATIVE DISC DISEASE, LOTS AND LOTS OF
- 17 DIFFERENT DISORDERS THAT THEY MIGHT NOT ALREADY HAVE SYMPTOMS
- 18 FOR YET, SO THEY'RE PREDICTING IN THE FUTURE THAT THEY ARE GOING
- 19 TO HAVE THESE. AND PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP THEN HAS
- 20 DIFFERENT PRODUCTS TO HELP DIFFERENT THERAPIES TO HELP THE
- 21 PATIENT NOT DEVELOP THESE DIFFERENT DISEASES OR DISORDERS. IT'S
- 22 KIND OF ONE OF A KIND -- THERE'S NOTHING REALLY ELSE OUT THERE
- 23 LIKE IT. SO THAT'S WHAT THE BASIS OF THE COMPANY IS. AND MY
- 24 TITLE IS DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH. ON TOP OF
- 25 THAT, SOME OF THE THERAPIES THAT THEY HAVE FOR, LIKE,

- 1 DEGENERATIVE DISC DISEASE IS THESE INJECTABLES THAT THEY HAVE.
- 2 | SO THE INJECTABLE IS CALLED -- ONE OF THEM IS CALLED
- 3 | CORECYTE. IT IS MADE FROM THE WHARTON'S JELLY OF UMBILICAL
- 4 CORD, AND IT'S CRYOPRESERVED. AND IT IS ONLY MESENCHYMAL STEM
- 5 CELLS SUSPENDED IN HYALURONIC ACID. THERE'S NO AMNIOCYTE TISSUE
- 6 IN IT. THERE'S NO COLLAGEN TISSUE IN THAT PRODUCT. IT IS JUST
- 7 WHARTON'S JELLY WHICH IS HIGH IN MESENCHYMAL STEM CELLS. AND
- 8 DOCTORS ARE SEEING GREAT RESULTS WHEN THEY INJECT IT INTO DISCS
- 9 THAT DON'T WORK ANYMORE TO REGENERATE THOSE DISCS. SO WE HAVE
- 10 THE TEST TO TELL THE DOCTOR THAT THE PATIENT HAS THIS PROBLEM,
- 11 AND WE HAVE A THERAPY TO HELP THE PATIENT THROUGH IT. THE
- 12 POLYCYTE IS ANOTHER INJECTABLE THAT THEY HAVE. WE DON'T HAVE
- 13 ANY MEMBRANES OR ANYTHING ELSE LIKE THAT, AND I DON'T HAVE
- 14 ANY -- I'M NOT SELLING ANY AMNIOTIC TISSUE OR AMNIOTIC
- 15 INJECTIONS LIKE I WAS. THE POLYCYTE IS A MULTIPLIED WHARTON'S
- 16 JELLY. AGAIN, IT'S SUSPENDED IN -- THEY'RE PRETTY SIMILAR
- 17 PRODUCTS. ONE HAS GROWTH FACTORS WITH LOW MESENCHYMAL STEM
- 18 CELLS, AND THE OTHER ONE HAS MESENCHYMAL STEM CELLS. SO
- 19 THEY'RE -- THEY'RE CRYOPRESERVED. THEY COME FROZEN. YOU HAVE
- 20 TO KEEP THEM AT A NEGATIVE 180 DEGREES SO THAT THE CELLS ARE
- 21 VIAL -- OR VIABLE INSIDE OF IT. AND THEY'RE USING BOTH OF THESE
- 22 PRODUCTS IN A LOT OF DIFFERENT AREAS. WHEN I WAS WITH MIMEDX WE
- 23 WERE -- I WAS SOLELY FOCUSED ON WOUNDS, IS BASICALLY WHAT I WAS
- 24 | SELLING FOR. THIS PRODUCT THEY ARE SELLING FOR AESTHETICS IN,
- 25 LIKE, DERMATOLOGY WHEN THEY WOULD DO SKIN AND LASER PEELS. THEY

1 WOULD RUB THE PRODUCT OVER THE FACE, AND THE PATIENTS WOULD HEAL

- 2 | MUCH QUICKER SO THEY COULD GO BACK OUTSIDE AT A QUICKER RATE.
- 3 | THEY USE IT FOR JOINT INJECTIONS BECAUSE IT HAS HYALURONIC ACID
- 4 IN IT. THAT ACTS AS THE SAME FLUID THAT'S ACTUALLY INSIDE OF
- 5 YOUR JOINT. AND YOU HAVE STEM CELLS TO HELP HEAL THOSE PLACES.
- 6 THEY USE IT IN SHOULDERS AND PLANTAR FASCIITIS AND A LOT OF
- 7 DIFFERENT AREAS LIKE THAT. SO THAT IS KIND OF THE RUN-DOWN.
- 8 AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT NEITHER OF THOSE TWO PRODUCTS ARE
- 9 COMPETING WITH MY NON -- WITH WHAT MY NON-COMPETE SAID. AND
- 10 THOSE ARE THE TWO PRODUCTS ALONG WITH THAT GENETIC TEST THAT I'M
- 11 GOING TO BE SELLING AND THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SELL.
- 12 THE COURT: OKAY. THE GENETIC TEST TO ME IS IN ONE
- 13 CATEGORY.
- 14 THE WITNESS: RIGHT.
- THE COURT: BUT YOUR STATEMENT UNDER OATH HERE TODAY
- 16 IS THAT THE PRODUCTS THAT YOU WILL SELL AND BE IN CHARGE OF AT
- 17 PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES CANNOT BE OR WILL NOT BE USED FOR THE
- 18 SAME THINGS THAT THE PRODUCTS YOU SOLD AT MIMEDX WOULD BE USED
- 19 FOR?
- 20 THE WITNESS: I -- THEY -- THEY COULD BE USED IN AREAS
- 21 LIKE THAT, BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT THE COMPANY'S MARKETING THEM FOR
- 22 OR -- OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. THEY'RE -- IT'S A MARKETING FOR
- 23 | SPORTS MEDICINE, AESTHETICS, PLASTIC SURGEONS TO USE IN THEIR
- 24 CLINICS. IT'S ALL CASH PAID.
- 25 THE COURT: SO IT APPEARS THAT WHAT YOU WERE DOING FOR

1 | MIMEDX WAS WOUND CARE TYPE WORK, AND THE TYPE OF WORK YOU'LL BE

- 2 DOING FOR PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES IS NOT WOUND CARE, BUT THERE
- 3 | CERTAINLY IS -- IT COULD BE USED FOR WOUND CARE, BUT THAT'S NOT
- 4 HOW YOU'LL BE MARKETING?
- 5 THE WITNESS: CORRECT.
- 6 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 7 BY MR. ROBERTS:
- 8 Q. MR. TORNQUIST, TO BE CLEAR, LET ME ASK YOU TO TURN YOUR
- 9 ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN HERE. YOUR NON-COMPETE PREVENTS YOU
- 10 FROM DOING ANYTHING -- AND WE'LL TALK ABOUT THE TERRITORY AND
- 11 SUCH IN A MINUTE. BUT THE PRODUCTS YOU'RE GOING TO BE SELLING
- 12 FOR YOUR NEW EMPLOYER, DO THEY -- ARE THEY COLLAGEN-BASED
- 13 BIOMATERIALS AND PRODUCTS?
- 14 A. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE CORECYTE, THE MESENCHYMAL STEM CELL
- 15 ONE, HAS ZERO COLLAGEN IN IT. THE POLYCYTE, ACCORDING TO
- 16 DR. KOOB, HAS -- HAS A TRACE AMOUNT OF COLLAGEN. WHEN IT SAYS
- 17 COLLAGEN BASED, THAT'S WHERE I -- THAT'S WHAT I -- WHERE I DON'T
- 18 UNDERSTAND.
- 19 Q. OKAY. WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT? WELL, FIRST OF ALL, WHAT
- 20 IS COLLAGEN?
- 21 A. COLLAGEN IS SOMETHING THAT IS FOUND IN EVERY SINGLE PART OF
- 22 A HUMAN BODY. THERE'S COLLAGEN IN BONE, THERE'S COLLAGEN IN
- 23 YOUR HAIR, YOUR NOSE, YOUR EARS, YOUR SKIN, YOUR ORGANS, YOUR
- 24 TOENAILS. IT'S IN EVERYTHING. IT'S IN JELLO. COLLAGEN IS IN
- 25 EVERYTHING -- NOT EVERYTHING, BUT ANY TYPE OF BIOLOGIC OR

- 1 | SOMETHING FROM YOUR BODY, THERE'S COLLAGEN IN IT.
- 2 | Q. AND WHAT IS YOUR -- SO ANY -- ANYTHING OF THIS NATURE WOULD
- 3 | NECESSARILY HAVE COLLAGEN IN SOME AMOUNT, ALBEIT A MINUTE
- 4 AMOUNT?
- 5 A. MINUTE. ABSOLUTELY.
- 6 Q. AND WHAT WAS YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE TERM "COLLAGEN-BASED
- 7 BIOMATERIALS?"
- 8 A. I UNDERSTOOD THAT AS BEING PRODUCTS THAT -- THAT IS THEIR
- 9 BASE OF THE PRODUCT, IS COLLAGEN. THERE'S A WHOLE LINE OF
- 10 COLLAGEN PRODUCTS THAT ARE OUT THERE, LIKE, OASIS, AND THEY
- 11 ARE -- THEY'RE LIKE A SCAFFOLD, BUT THEY'RE MADE FROM COLLAGEN.
- 12 | SO ALMOST THEIR WHOLE MAKE-UP IS COLLAGEN. SO THERE'S A LINE OF
- 13 PRODUCTS THAT ARE JUST COLLAGEN PRODUCTS. IF I WASN'T ABLE TO
- 14 | SELL A PRODUCT WITH COLLAGEN IN IT, MY -- I MEAN, EVEN WITH
- 15 MINUTE AMOUNTS, I WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SELL VERY MUCH OF
- 16 ANYTHING, IS WHAT I'M COMING TO UNDERSTAND.
- 17 Q. DID ANY OF THE MIMEDX PRODUCTS YOU SOLD, WERE THEY COLLAGEN
- 18 BASED AS YOU HAVE EXPLAINED THAT TERM?
- 19 A. THOSE -- NO, THEY AREN'T ACTUALLY COLLAGEN BASED EITHER.
- 20 NO, THEY'RE MADE FROM PLACENTA.
- 21 Q. ALL RIGHT. SO ARE ANY OF THE PRODUCTS THAT YOU'RE GOING TO
- 22 BE SELLING FOR THIS COMPANY DURABLE HYDROGEL BIOMATERIALS AND
- 23 PRODUCTS?
- 24 A. NOT TO MY UNDERSTANDING, NO.
- 25 Q. ARE ANY OF THE PRODUCTS YOU'RE GOING TO BE SELLING FOR THIS

1 COMPANY BIOIMPLANTS PROCESSED FOR IMMUNE AND AMNIOTIC MEMBRANE?

- 2 A. NO.
- 3 | O. AND ARE ANY OF THE PRODUCTS YOU'RE GOING TO BE SELLING FOR
- 4 THIS COMPANY OTHER AMNION-BASED PRODUCTS?
- 5 A. NO.
- 6 MR. ROBERTS: OKAY. LET ME -- MAY I APPROACH, YOUR
- 7 HONOR?
- 8 THE COURT: YES.
- 9 MR. ROBERTS: I'M GOING TO TALK TO THE WITNESS ABOUT
- 10 EXHIBIT C OF THE AFFIDAVIT FILED LAST NIGHT. DOES THE COURT
- 11 HAVE COPIES OF THAT?
- 12 THE COURT: OKAY. IT'S ALREADY IN THE RECORD. THAT'S
- 13 FINE.
- MR. ROBERTS: OKAY.
- 15 BY MR. ROBERTS:
- 16 O. MR. TORNOUIST, LET ME SHOW YOU --
- MR. ROBERTS: I DON'T THINK I NEED TO MARK OR ENTER
- 18 THIS BECAUSE IT'S PART OF THE RECORD.
- 19 THE COURT: IT'S ALL IN THE RECORD.
- MR. ROBERTS: OKAY.
- 21 BY MR. ROBERTS:
- 22 O. THIS IS A DECLARATION OF THOMAS KOOB. I THINK YOU'VE -- DO
- 23 YOU KNOW WHO MR. THOMAS KOOB IS?
- 24 A. YES.
- 25 Q. WHO IS -- WHO IS MR. KOOB OR DR. KOOB?

- 1 | A. HE'S ONE OF OUR SCIENCE LEADERS AT MIMEDX.
- 2 | O. OKAY. AND LET ME -- LET ME ASK YOU TO TURN YOUR ATTENTION
- 3 TO PARAGRAPH FIVE OF THIS AFFIDAVIT. DR. KOOB STATES THAT
- 4 | AMNIOTIC MEMBRANE IS COMPRISED OF TWO LAYERS, BOTH OF WHICH
- 5 CONTAIN COLLAGEN AS THE MAIN STRUCTURAL ELEMENT. AMNION
- 6 CONTAINS A BASEMENT MEMBRANE AS COMPOSED OF TYPE FOUR COLLAGEN
- 7 AND A COMPACT LAYER THAT CONTAINS FIBRILLAR COLLAGEN, PRIMARILY
- 8 TYPE ONE COLLAGEN.
- 9 DO YOU AGREE WITH THAT STATEMENT?
- 10 A. SURE, YES.
- 11 O. OKAY. AND THEN -- BUT THEN HE GOES ON TO SAY, THE CHORION
- 12 IS COMPRISED PRIMARILY OF FIBRILLAR COLLAGEN WHICH PROVIDES THE
- 13 MAIN STRUCTURE ARCHITECTURE GIVING (VERBATIM) THE MEMBRANE AND
- 14 MECHANICAL PROPERTIES.
- 15 DO YOU ALSO AGREE WITH THAT STATEMENT?
- 16 A. YES.
- 17 Q. OKAY. AND IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE IN PARAGRAPH FIVE THAT
- 18 YOU WOULD TAKE ISSUE WITH?
- 19 A. HE SAYS A PRODUCT THAT CONTAINS WHARTON'S JELLY MUST BE A
- 20 COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCT.
- 21 Q. OKAY. WHY DO YOU TAKE ISSUE WITH THAT STATEMENT?
- 22 A. WELL, FIRST, IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S MAKING AN ASSUMPTION THAT
- 23 IT MUST BE. AND, SECONDLY, BECAUSE IT'S -- COLLAGEN IS WHAT
- 24 MAKES THE MEMBRANE STAY TOGETHER. SO IT'S -- A MEMBRANE
- 25 ACTUALLY HAS STRUCTURE. SO THAT'S -- I'M NOT SELLING ANY KIND

- 1 | OF A MEMBRANE WHAT -- OR I WOULDN'T BE SELLING ANY KIND OF A
- 2 | MEMBRANE THAT NEEDS COLLAGEN TO HOLD IT TOGETHER. THESE OTHER
- 3 | PRODUCTS ARE FLUID. IT'S LIKE A -- IT'S -- IT'S JUST SUSPENDED
- 4 IN A FLUID. SO THERE'S -- THE AMOUNT OF COLLAGEN IN SOMETHING
- 5 | LIKE THAT IN ONE OF THOSE WOULD BE MINUTE BECAUSE YOU DON'T NEED
- 6 THE COLLAGEN TO HOLD ANYTHING TOGETHER IN SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
- 7 O. YOU HAD GAVE ME AN ANALOGY EARLIER ABOUT CHICKEN SOUP.
- 8 WHAT WAS THAT ANALOGY?
- 9 A. WELL, I SAID IF THEY'RE SAYING THAT ALL PRODUCTS WITH
- 10 COLLAGEN ARE COLLAGEN BASED, I MEAN, IF YOU HAVE SOUP, WHAT'S
- 11 YOUR BASE OF THE SOUP? I MEAN, IT WOULD BE CHICKEN STOCK,
- 12 RIGHT, AND THAT WOULD COMPRISE 90 PERCENT OF YOUR SOUP. WHAT I
- 13 HAVE ISN'T COMPRISED OF 90 PERCENT OF COLLAGEN OR EVEN CLOSE TO
- 14 THAT. IT WOULD -- ONE OF THE PRODUCTS MIGHT BE IN THE SUPER
- 15 LOW, LIKE, TWO OR THREE PERCENT AT MOST WHICH WOULD BE -- YOUR
- 16 HAIR IS, LIKE, 40 PERCENT COLLAGEN. SO...
- 17 Q. SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT THESE PRODUCTS WOULD NOT BE
- 18 | COLLAGEN-BASED?
- 19 A. YEAH, THAT'S WHAT I HAVE THE ISSUE WITH, IS SAYING THAT
- 20 ANYTHING THAT IS COLLAGEN BASED. IF IT'S A COLLAGEN-BASED
- 21 PRODUCT, IT WOULD BE A PRODUCT MOSTLY MADE UP OF COLLAGEN.
- MR. ROBERTS: MAY I APPROACH, YOUR HONOR?
- 23 THE COURT: YES.
- 24 BY MR. ROBERTS:
- 25 Q. MR. TORNQUIST, I'M SHOWING YOU WHAT WAS FILED LAST EVENING

- 1 | AS AN AFFIDAVIT OF KEVIN LILLY. DO YOU KNOW -- DO YOU KNOW WHO
- 2 MR. LILLY IS?
- 3 A. YES, I DO.
- 4 Q. OKAY. I WOULD ASK YOU TO TURN YOUR ATTENTION TO PARAGRAPH
- 5 | FIVE OF THIS AFFIDAVIT WHERE MR. LILLY AVERS THAT ON
- 6 | FEBRUARY 18TH, 2015, YOU SENT AN E-MAIL FROM YOUR MIMEDX E-MAIL
- 7 ACCOUNT TO YOUR PERSONAL G-MAIL ACCOUNT TITLED, HEALING REVIEW,
- 8 ATTACHING A SPREADSHEET, HEALING REVIEW. A TRUE AND CORRECT
- 9 COPY OF THE E-MAIL IS ATTACHED TO THE AFFIDAVIT. THE HEALING
- 10 REVIEW ATTACHED TO THE E-MAIL CONTAINS TRADE SECRET INFORMATION
- 11 OF MIMEDX'S BUSINESS.
- 12 DID YOU IN FACT SEND YOURSELF AN E-MAIL ON FEBRUARY 18TH,
- 13 2015, WITH THIS DOCUMENT, THIS SPREADSHEET ATTACHED?
- 14 A. I GUESS SO.
- 15 O. AND WHY DID YOU DO THAT?
- 16 A. I DID IT SO I COULD PRINT IT OFF TO SHOW THE DOCTORS HOW
- 17 WELL THE PRODUCT'S WORKING AT THE V.A. SO MY -- I -- I RARELY
- 18 USED MY WORK COMPUTER. MY HOME COMPUTER IS THE COMPUTER HOOKED
- 19 UP TO THE PRINTER AT OUR HOUSE. AND I DON'T HAVE A MIMEDX
- 20 E-MAIL CONNECTED TO MY HOME COMPUTER, SO I SENT IT TO MY E-MAIL
- 21 SO I COULD PRINT IT OFF ON MY HOME COMPUTER.
- 22 O. WHEN YOU WORKED FOR MIMEDX DID YOU HAVE AN OFFICE THAT YOU
- 23 GO TO THAT HAS A COMPUTER AND PRINTER?
- 24 A. NO.
- 25 Q. WHERE WAS YOUR OFFICE?

- 1 A. IT WAS AT MY HOUSE.
- 2 Q. OKAY. AND WERE YOU ABLE TO CONNECT TO THE MIMEDX SERVER
- 3 FROM YOUR HOME COMPUTER?
- 4 A. NO.
- 5 Q. DID -- YOU KNOW, WERE THERE OTHER OCCASIONS WHERE YOU
- 6 | E-MAILED YOURSELF DOCUMENTS SO YOU COULD PRINT THEM OUT FOR USE
- 7 IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF YOUR BUSINESS?
- 8 A. NOT A LOT, BUT SOMETIMES I NEEDED TO QUICK PRINT SOMETHING
- 9 OUT TO BRING THEM IN TO A DOCTOR, I WOULD HAVE.
- 10 O. DID YOU EVER USE THIS DOCUMENT THAT THEY -- THAT IS BEING
- 11 REFERRED TO IN ANY COMPETITIVE PURPOSES?
- 12 A. NO. I USED THE PRODUCT -- I USED THIS DOCUMENT TO HELP
- 13 | SELL EPIFIX TO MY DOCTORS AND MAKE THEM FEEL LIKE WHAT THEY WERE
- 14 DOING WAS THE RIGHT THING AND USING THE RIGHT PRODUCT.
- 15 O. SO YOU ACQUIRED THIS DOCUMENT IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF THE
- 16 PERFORMANCE OF YOUR DUTIES FOR MIMEDX; IS THAT CORRECT?
- 17 A. I ACTUALLY -- THE DOCTORS AND I PUT THIS TOGETHER. LIKE,
- 18 THIS WAS SOMETHING THAT WE DID. WE LOOKED AT ALL OF OUR
- 19 PATIENTS AT THE MINNEAPOLIS V.A. AND SAW HOW WELL THEY WERE
- 20 DOING AND WANTED TO PUT IT ON PAPER SO THAT WE COULD, YOU KNOW,
- 21 SEE QUANTIFIABLY HOW WELL OTHER PATIENTS WERE DOING, HOW MUCH
- 22 THEY WERE SPENDING, AND IT WAS GREAT. SO IT WAS SOMETHING THAT
- 23 WE USED TO HELP BOOST MIMEDX'S BUSINESS, YES.
- 24 | O. SO THIS IS SOMETHING YOU ALREADY HAD IN THE NORMAL COURSE
- 25 OF YOUR BUSINESS?

- 1 | A. YES.
- 2 | O. OKAY. LET ME ASK YOU TO TURN YOUR ATTENTION TO PARAGRAPH
- 3 | EIGHT OF THIS AFFIDAVIT. AND I WOULD ASK YOU, MR. TORNQUIST, IS
- 4 | THERE ANYTHING IN PARAGRAPH EIGHT THAT'S SEVERE TOO THAT YOU
- 5 WOULD TAKE ISSUE WITH?
- 6 A. THERE'S A LOT IN PARAGRAPH EIGHT THAT I WOULD TAKE ISSUE
- 7 WITH.
- 8 O. COULD YOU INFORM THE COURT?
- 9 A. SO WHEN THEY SAY THAT -- WHEN IT STARTS OFF, FOR INSTANCE,
- 10 | PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES' CORECYTE UMBILICAL CORD ALLOGRAFT
- 11 SUSPENSION COMPETES WITH MIMEDX'S EPIFIX MICRONIZED, AMNIOFIX
- 12 | INJECTABLE, ORTHOFLO, EPICORD AND AMNIOCORD. I -- I DON'T AGREE
- 13 WITH THAT STATEMENT WHATSOEVER.
- 14 Q. WHY?
- 15 A. BECAUSE IT'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT PRODUCT THAN ANY OF THOSE.
- 16 THE MAKE-UP OF THE PRODUCT IS DIFFERENT. WHAT'S ACTUALLY IN THE
- 17 PRODUCT IS DIFFERENT.
- 18 O. OKAY. ANYTHING ELSE YOU DISAGREE WITH IN THAT AFFIDAVIT?
- 19 A. THE SAME THING FOR POLYCYTE WHERE IT COMPETES WITH MIMEDX'S
- 20 | EPIFIX MICRONIZED, AMNIOFIX INJECTABLE AND ORTHOFLO. I NEVER
- 21 DID SELL -- SELL ORTHOFLO. I REALLY DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT THAT
- 22 PRODUCT WHATSOEVER. BUT THE SAME THING, IT'S NOT THE SAME
- 23 PRODUCT. IT'S NOT MADE UP OF THE SAME THINGS. IT'S FROM A
- 24 DIFFERENT -- I GUESS -- IT'S FROM THE UMBILICAL CORD INSTEAD OF
- 25 | THE PLACENTA.

- 1 | Q. ALL RIGHT. ANYTHING ELSE IN PARAGRAPH EIGHT?
- 2 A. NO. I MEAN, THE AMNIOCYTE -- AMNIOTIC -- I'M NOT GOING TO
- 3 BE SELLING ANY OF THE OTHER PRODUCTS. THOSE WERE THE ONLY TWO
- 4 | PRODUCTS THAT I WOULD -- WAS HOPING THAT I COULD SELL.
- 5 THE COURT: MR. TORNQUIST, IN TERMS OF YOUR JOB WITH
- 6 PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, DO YOU PLAN TO CALL ON THE SAME
- 7 CUSTOMERS THAT YOU HAD WHEN YOU WORKED WITH MIMEDX?
- 8 THE WITNESS: I WAS HOPING TO, BUT IN A DIFFERENT
- 9 FORMAT. I MEAN, SOME OF THEM DO WAY MORE THINGS THAN JUST
- 10 WOUNDS.
- 11 THE COURT: NOW, AND JUST TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND
- 12 YOUR TESTIMONY, WILL ANY OF THE SALES OF YOUR PRODUCTS FOR
- 13 PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES PREVENT A SALE OF A MIMEDX PRODUCT?
- 14 THE WITNESS: THAT WOULDN'T BE MY GOAL, NO.
- 15 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 16 MR. ROBERTS: ONE MOMENT, YOUR HONOR.
- 17 BY MR. ROBERTS:
- 18 | O. MR. TORNOUIST, IF YOU WERE NOT ALLOWED TO SELL WHAT YOU'VE
- 19 CHARACTERIZED AS THESE NON-COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS, DO YOU HAVE ANY
- 20 OTHER READILY AVAILABLE MEANS OF INCOME, ANOTHER JOB THAT YOU
- 21 COULD IMMEDIATELY GO TO AND MAKE MONEY?
- 22 A. NO, I DON'T.
- 23 Q. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN DOING THIS?
- 24 A. LOOKING FOR A JOB?
- 25 Q. NO. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN WORKING IN MEDICAL SALES?

- 1 A. IN BIOLOGIC SALES AND SALES LIKE THIS, I'VE DONE IT FOR
- 2 | EIGHT YEARS, BASICALLY SINCE I GOT OUT OF COLLEGE.
- 3 MR. ROBERTS: ONE MOMENT, YOUR HONOR. I MAY BE -- I
- 4 | BELIEVE THAT'S ALL THE QUESTIONS I HAVE OF MR. TORNQUIST, YOUR
- 5 HONOR.
- 6 THE COURT: OKAY. ONE MORE QUESTION. DO YOU HAVE ANY
- 7 UNDERSTANDING IF MIMEDX PRODUCTS THAT YOU USED TO SELL ARE
- 8 | F.D.A. CLEARED FOR THE SAME USES THAT YOU WILL BE MARKETING YOUR
- 9 PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES PRODUCTS?
- 10 THE WITNESS: SO THE THING IS WITH -- WITH THAT
- 11 QUESTION, NEITHER -- NEITHER COMPANY'S PRODUCTS HAVE -- THEY
- 12 | BOTH ARE CALLED A 361 TISSUE. SO YOU ARE ABLE TO USE -- THERE'S
- 13 NO F.D.A. INDICATIONS FOR USE.
- 14 THE COURT: OKAY. SO THESE ARE JUST THINGS THAT
- 15 PEOPLE CHOOSE TO DO AND PAY FOR?
- 16 THE WITNESS: BECAUSE THEY CAME FROM THE BODY, YOU CAN
- 17 USE THEM BASICALLY ANYWHERE THAT YOU WANT.
- 18 THE COURT: AND THE V.A. --
- 19 THE WITNESS: WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIONS.
- 20 THE COURT: AND THE V.A. WILL REIMBURSE YOU FOR THAT?
- THE WITNESS: CORRECT, YEAH.
- THE COURT: OKAY. THANK YOU.
- THE WITNESS: YES.
- 24 MR. ROBERTS: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. OBVIOUSLY IF
- 25 OPPOSING COUNSEL HAS ANY QUESTIONS, AND THEN I WOULD LIKE TO

- 1 CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT THE LEGAL ISSUES.
- THE COURT: WE'LL ALLOW THE CROSS AND THEN WE'LL ALLOW
- 3 YOU TO GO BACK TO YOUR ARGUMENT.
- 4 MR. ROBERTS: YES, MA'AM.
- 5 THE COURT: MR. WARGO, YOU MAY PROCEED, BUT LET'S
- 6 LIMIT THE QUESTIONS OF THIS WITNESS TO THE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN
- 7 BROUGHT UP IN THE DIRECT OR WHICH DIRECTLY RELATE TO KIND OF
- 8 WHAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT HERE.
- 9 MR. WARGO: YES, YOUR HONOR. THANK YOU. AND I THINK
- 10 A LOT OF THIS COULD BE DONE JUST THROUGH ARGUMENT.
- 11 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 12 MR. WARGO: BUT I'M JUST GOING TO ASK A FEW QUESTIONS.
- 13 THE COURT: THAT SOUNDS GREAT.
- MR. WARGO: OKAY. THANK YOU.
- 15 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 16 BY MR. WARGO:
- 17 Q. MR. TORNQUIST, AM I PRONOUNCING THAT NAME CORRECTLY?
- 18 A. YES.
- 19 O. THANK YOU. I WANT TO TALK ABOUT YOUR TESTIMONY CONCERNING
- 20 PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES. IS IT YOUR TESTIMONY THAT THEY'RE NOT
- 21 INVOLVED IN WOUND CARE?
- 22 A. IT'S MY TESTIMONY THAT THAT'S NOT WHAT THEY'RE MARKETING
- 23 THEIR PRODUCTS SPECIFICALLY FOR. THEY'RE MARKETING THEIR
- 24 PRODUCTS FOR THESE OTHER AREAS THAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT.
- 25 Q. OKAY. SO IF, FOR EXAMPLE, THEIR WEBSITE -- THEIR WEBSITE

- 1 YOU AGREE WITH ME IS MARKETING; CORRECT?
- 2 A. SURE.
- 3 | O. SO IF THEIR WEBSITE SAID THAT THEY WERE MARKETING THEIR
- 4 | PRODUCT FOR WOUND CARE, WOULD YOU AGREE WITH ME THAT YOUR
- 5 TESTIMONY WAS INCORRECT?
- 6 A. I GUESS I WOULD HAVE TO SEE WHERE IT SAYS THAT. IF IT'S --
- 7 IS IT JUST A SMALL LITTLE DISCLAIMER ON THE BOTTOM, OR IS IT
- 8 WHAT THE WEBSITE IS BASED ON?
- 9 Q. SURE. AND AS I AGREED WITH THE JUDGE, WE'LL DO A LOT OF
- 10 THIS IN ARGUMENT, BUT IF CORRECT A SITE (VERBATIM) -- WHICH IS A
- 11 | PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES PRODUCT; CORRECT?
- 12 A. RIGHT, CORECYTE.
- 13 Q. I'M SORRY. CORECYTE. POLYCYTE AND AMNIOCYTE, IF THEIR
- 14 DESCRIPTIONS OF THOSE PRODUCTS ON THEIR WEBSITE INDICATED THAT
- 15 THEY WERE INVOLVED -- THAT THEY ASSISTED WITH WOUND AND PAIN
- 16 MANAGEMENT TREATMENTS, YOU WOULD AGREE WITH ME THAT THAT IS --
- 17 THOSE PRODUCTS ARE HELPFUL FOR WOUND TREATMENTS, CORRECT, SIR?
- 18 A. THEY CAN BE HELPFUL FOR A LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS, LIKE I
- 19 SAID, BUT, YEAH, THAT WOULD BE ONE THING THAT I SAID THAT IT
- 20 COULD POSSIBLY BE HELPFUL FOR.
- 21 Q. AND THEY'RE MARKETING IT THAT WAY TOO, SIR, ARE THEY NOT,
- 22 | IF THAT'S CORRECT WHAT I JUST READ?
- 23 A. I'VE NOT SEEN IT.
- 24 | O. OKAY. WE'LL SHOW THE COURT. SIR, YOU UNDERSTAND, GOING
- 25 BACK TO SOME TESTIMONY THAT YOU PROVIDED HERE FROM -- ON DIRECT,

- 1 YOU UNDERSTAND MR. KOOB IS A -- THE CHIEF SCIENCE OFFICER FOR
- 2 MIMEDX; CORRECT?
- 3 A. CORRECT.
- 4 Q. YOU UNDERSTAND HE HAS A PH.D.?
- 5 A. YES.
- 6 Q. I'M NOT MEANING THIS TO BE BELITTLING. I DON'T HAVE A
- 7 PH.D. OKAY. DO YOU HAVE A PH.D., SIR?
- 8 A. NO.
- 9 Q. WOULD YOU AGREE WITH ME THAT HE WOULD KNOW MORE THAN YOU
- 10 ABOUT THE MAKE-UP OF WHARTON'S JELLY?
- 11 A. I'M -- I'M SURE HE KNOWS A LOT MORE THAN ME ABOUT A LOT OF
- 12 DIFFERENT THINGS, YES.
- 13 Q. INCLUDING WHARTON'S JELLY, SIR?
- 14 A. PROBABLY.
- 15 Q. OKAY. LET ME ASK YOU TO LOOK AT PARAGRAPH FIVE OF HIS
- 16 DECLARATION WHICH IS THE SAME PARAGRAPH YOUR COUNSEL DIRECTED
- 17 YOU TO. LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU'RE THERE, PLEASE. ARE YOU THERE,
- 18 SIR?
- 19 A. YEAH.
- 20 O. THANK YOU. THE LAST SENTENCE, SIR, SAYS, A PRODUCT THAT
- 21 CONTAINS WHARTON'S JELLY MUST BE A COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCT.
- DO YOU SEE THAT STATEMENT?
- 23 A. I DO, YES.
- 24 O. IS THAT TRUE OR FALSE?
- 25 A. IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHAT YOU'RE CALLING COLLAGEN BASED, LIKE

- 1 | I WAS SAYING BEFORE, SO I DON'T AGREE WITH IT. I DON'T AGREE
- 2 | THAT THAT PRODUCT IS -- THAT'S THE BASE OF THE PRODUCT.
- 3 Q. OKAY. SO YOU THINK THAT STATEMENT IS FALSE; IS THAT YOUR
- 4 TESTIMONY?
- 5 A. FOR HOW -- FOR HOW I UNDERSTAND --
- 6 Q. ARE YOU UNSURE --
- 7 A. I'M UNSURE. I --
- 8 Q. OKAY.
- 9 A. YEAH, I WOULD -- I WOULD THINK THAT TESTIMONY IS FALSE.
- 10 Q. OKAY. BUT YOU'D ALSO AGREE WITH ME THAT MR. KOOB KNOWS
- 11 MORE THAN YOU ABOUT WHAT WHARTON'S JELLY IS COMPRISED OF;
- 12 | CORRECT?
- 13 A. YES.
- 14 Q. OKAY, SIR. SIR, DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT AN UMBILICAL CORD
- 15 | CONTAINS COLLAGEN?
- 16 A. YES.
- 17 Q. WOULD YOU AGREE WITH ME THAT AN UMBILICAL CORD PRODUCT IS
- 18 | COLLAGEN BASED?
- 19 A. I DON'T KNOW WHAT COLLAGEN -- LIKE, AN UMBILICAL CORD,
- 20 LIKE, THE CORD IN ITSELF IS COLLAGEN BASED, IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE
- 21 | SAYING OR WHAT -- WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
- 22 O. NO, SIR. WHAT I MEAN IS I'M TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
- 23 ALL TALKING ABOUT THE SAME TERMS HERE.
- 24 A. OKAY.
- 25 O. WOULD YOU AGREE WITH ME THAT AN UMBILICAL CORD CONTAINS

- 1 COLLAGEN?
- 2 A. YES.
- 3 | Q. OKAY. AND DO YOU AGREE WITH ME THAT MIMEDX PRODUCTS
- 4 | HAVE -- ARE COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCTS, SOME OF THEM?
- 5 A. YEAH, SOME OF THEM HAVE COLLAGEN IN IT. ALL OF THEM HAVE
- 6 COLLAGEN IN IT.
- 7 Q. OKAY. AND YOU SOLD THOSE PRODUCTS?
- 8 A. YES.
- 9 Q. DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS COLLAGEN IN PRODUCTS THAT
- 10 | PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES SELLS?
- 11 A. YES, THERE'S A SMALL AMOUNT OF COLLAGEN IN SOME OF THEIR
- 12 PRODUCTS, YES.
- 13 Q. AND YOU ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THEY ARE SELLING THOSE FOR
- 14 | WOUND CARE?
- 15 A. NO, THEY ARE NOT SELLING THOSE FOR WOUND CARE.
- 16 O. EVEN THOUGH THEIR WEBSITE SAYS THEY ARE?
- 17 A. THE ONLY ACCOUNTS THAT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES IS SELLING
- 18 THOSE INTO RIGHT NOW, LIKE I SAID, OR THEY'VE MADE ANY SALES OFF
- 19 OF ARE AESTHETIC AND SPINE PAIN CLINICS.
- 20 O. AND WHAT EVIDENCE DO YOU HAVE OF THAT, SIR? SOMEONE ELSE
- 21 TOLD YOU THAT?
- 22 A. YEAH, YEAH, IT'S SOMEONE ELSE TOLD ME THAT. I DON'T
- 23 | HAVE -- I DON'T HAVE ANY SALES REPORTS OR ANYTHING. I JUST
- 24 STARTED. I DON'T KNOW.
- 25 Q. IS THAT PERSON IN COURT HERE TODAY?

- 1 A. NO.
- 2 Q. OKAY. TAKE A LOOK, PLEASE, AT PARAGRAPH EIGHT OF THE
- 3 | AFFIDAVIT THAT WAS PROVIDED TO YOU BY YOUR COUNSEL OF MR. LILLY.
- 4 PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU ARE THERE.
- 5 A. YEAH.
- 6 Q. OKAY. I WANT TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND YOUR TESTIMONY. IS
- 7 YOUR TESTIMONY THAT MR. LILLY'S AFFIDAVIT IS WRONG OR IS -- LET
- 8 ME FINISH MY QUESTION, PLEASE.
- 9 A. SURE.
- 10 Q. OR IS YOUR TESTIMONY THAT YOU DON'T KNOW WHETHER
- 11 MR. LILLY'S TESTIMONY IS WRONG?
- 12 A. MY TESTIMONY IS THAT --
- 13 THE COURT: WHICH PART OF THE AFFIDAVIT ARE WE TALKING
- 14 ABOUT?
- MR. WARGO: I'M SORRY. PARAGRAPH EIGHT.
- 16 THE COURT: OKAY.
- MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, THAT'S THE PARAGRAPH THAT
- 18 DIRECTLY BRINGS THEIR --
- 19 THE COURT: RIGHT. I THINK YOU JUST SAID THE
- 20 AFFIDAVIT, SO I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT I WAS AT THE RIGHT
- 21 PART.
- 22 MR. WARGO: I SHOULD HAVE SAID DECLARATION.
- 23 BY MR. WARGO:
- 24 Q. SIR, DO YOU UNDERSTAND MY QUESTION?
- 25 A. CAN YOU REPEAT IT?

- 1 | Q. SURE. ARE YOU SAYING THAT PARAGRAPH EIGHT -- WHICH IS THE
- 2 | PARAGRAPH THAT CALLS OUT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES' PRODUCTS AND
- 3 | PUTS THEM RIGHT NEXT TO PRODUCTS THAT YOU SOLD; CORRECT?
- 4 A. MM-HUM.
- 5 Q. ARE YOU SAYING THAT THAT PARAGRAPH IS WRONG, OR ARE YOU
- 6 | SAYING THAT YOU DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT'S WRONG?
- 7 A. NO. I THINK IT'S WRONG.
- 8 Q. OKAY. AND IS YOUR BASIS FOR SAYING THAT'S WRONG BASED ON
- 9 YOUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE PRODUCT IS NOT -- THE PREDICTIVE
- 10 | TECHNOLOGIES PRODUCT IS NOT BEING USED FOR WOUND CARE?
- 11 A. NO. I -- FROM MY UNDERSTANDING -- SAY THE QUESTION AGAIN,
- 12 PLEASE.
- 13 Q. WHAT IS THE BASIS, SIR, OF YOUR BELIEF THAT THE PARAGRAPH
- 14 | EIGHT STATEMENTS ARE WRONG? WHY ARE YOU SAYING THEY'RE WRONG?
- 15 A. WELL, BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE THE SAME MAKE-UP IN THEM.
- 16 THEY'RE DIFFERENT PRODUCTS. THEY'RE MADE FROM DIFFERENT THINGS.
- 17 THEY'VE GOT DIFFERENT CELLS. THE THINGS IN THEM ARE NOT THE
- 18 | SAME PRODUCT AS MIMEDX'S PRODUCTS.
- 19 O. AND IS YOUR QUARREL WITH THE AMOUNT OF COLLAGEN IN THE
- 20 PRODUCTS? HOW ARE THEY DIFFERENT, SIR?
- 21 A. WELL, I ALREADY DID EXPLAIN THIS EARLIER. I -- DO YOU WANT
- 22 ME TO EXPLAIN IT AGAIN?
- 23 O. WHY ARE YOU SAYING THAT THESE PRODUCTS ARE NOT COMPETITIVE,
- 24 SIR?
- 25 A. SURE. NO PROBLEM. SO CORECYTE IS MADE FROM THE WHARTON'S

- 1 JELLY OF THE UMBILICAL CORD WHERE THEY ARE JUST TAKING
- 2 | MESENCHYMAL STEM SELLS OUT OF THAT PRODUCT. IT'S A PRODUCT MADE
- 3 WITH JUST MESENCHYMAL STEM CELLS AND HYALURONIC ACID. THAT IS
- 4 CORECYTE. AND IT'S CRYOPRESERVED AT NEGATIVE 180 DEGREES, AND
- 5 THAT'S HOW THAT PRODUCT IS KEPT. THERE'S --
- 6 | Q. ARE YOU FINISHED WITH YOUR TESTIMONY ABOUT CORECYTE?
- 7 A. YES.
- 8 Q. IS THAT A HUNDRED PERCENT OF YOUR ANSWER AS TO WHY CORECYTE
- 9 DOESN'T COMPETE WITH MIMEDX (VERBATIM) PRODUCT?
- 10 A. YEAH.
- 11 Q. OKAY, SIR. LET'S TALK ABOUT OTHER PRODUCTS HERE AND HOW
- 12 YOU SAY THEY'RE NOT COMPETITIVE.
- 13 A. SURE.
- 14 O. TELL ME WHY.
- 15 A. POLYCYTE, LIKE I SAID EARLIER, IS ALSO MADE FROM THE
- 16 WHARTON'S JELLY, AND IT'S AN ALLOGRAFT SUSPENSION, SO IT'S --
- 17 AGAIN, IT'S IN -- SUSPENDED WITH HYALURONIC ACID. IT HAS GROWTH
- 18 | FACTORS, BUT IT'S MADE FROM THE WHARTON'S JELLY OF THE UMBILICAL
- 19 CORD AND IT'S FROZEN. IT'S CRYOPRESERVED.
- 20 O. AND, AGAIN, SIR, IS THAT A HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE REASON
- 21 WHY THAT PRODUCT IN YOUR MIND IS NOT COMPETITIVE WITH THE MIMEDX
- 22 PRODUCT?
- 23 A. MIMEDX DOES NOT HAVE AN INJECTABLE PRODUCT, CRYOPRESERVED
- 24 | PRODUCT THAT HAS THOSE SAME THINGS IN IT, NO.

- 1 | Q. OKAY, SIR. SO THE COMPETITIVE PRODUCT LISTED BY MR. LILLY
- 2 TO THAT PRODUCT, YOU BELIEVE, IS NOT COMPETITIVE?
- 3 A. CORRECT.
- 4 Q. FOR THE REASONS YOU JUST STATED?
- 5 A. CORRECT.
- 6 Q. OKAY. WHAT ABOUT THE FINAL PRODUCT, SIR, THAT PREDICTIVE
- 7 TECHNOLOGIES HAS?
- 8 A. I'M NOT SELLING EITHER ONE OF THOSE PRODUCTS, SO I DON'T
- 9 KNOW.
- 10 Q. BUT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES DOES?
- 11 A. YEAH, THAT -- THAT IS -- THOSE ARE THE PRODUCTS THAT THEY
- 12 HAVE UNDER THEIR UMBRELLA.
- 13 Q. SO YOU DON'T HAVE ANY OPINION AS TO WHETHER MR. LILLY'S
- 14 AFFIDAVIT ON THAT SUBJECT IS CORRECT OR NOT?
- 15 A. I HAVE NO OPINION ON THOSE TWO, NO.
- 16 O. DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT AMNIOTIC FLUID -- I'M SORRY. DO YOU
- 17 UNDERSTAND THAT AN UMBILICAL CORD DOES CONTAIN COLLAGEN?
- 18 A. ALMOST EVERYTHING CONTAINS COLLAGEN IN THE HUMAN BODY, YES.
- 19 Q. PLEASE ANSWER MY QUESTION.
- 20 A. YES.
- 21 MR. ROBERTS: I OBJECT, YOUR HONOR. I THINK HE DID
- 22 ANSWER.
- THE COURT: YEAH, WE'VE GONE THROUGH THIS LINE OF
- 24 | QUESTIONING BEFORE.
- MR. WARGO: YES.

- 1 BY MR. WARGO:
- 2 Q. OKAY. LAST QUESTION, SIR. YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A
- 3 | COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE THAT WE ARE SEEKING TO ENFORCE THAT
- 4 WOULD BE FOR A YEAR FROM YOUR TERMINATION?
- 5 A. YES.
- 6 O. SO WE'RE LOOKING AT ANOTHER TEN MONTHS OR SO; CORRECT?
- 7 A. YES.
- 8 Q. OKAY. AND YOU WERE ASKED BY YOUR COUNSEL WHAT ARE YOU
- 9 GOING TO DO IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS IF YOU CAN'T WORK AT
- 10 | PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES. DO YOU REMEMBER THAT?
- 11 A. YES.
- 12 Q. OKAY. YOU AGREE WITH ME, SIR, THAT LAST YEAR AT MIMEDX YOU
- 13 | MADE \$931,000?
- 14 MR. ROBERTS: YOUR HONOR, I'M GOING TO OBJECT TO THE
- 15 RELEVANCY OF THIS INQUIRY. I MEAN, WHAT HE MADE AT MIMEDX, I
- 16 DON'T QUITE UNDERSTAND THE RELEVANCE. HE EITHER SHOULD BE
- 17 ALLOWED TO WORK OR SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO WORK.
- 18 THE COURT: WELL, IN TERMS OF WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN,
- 19 THE AMOUNT OF MONEY HE MAKES IS RELEVANT TO ME ON THE AMOUNT OF
- 20 BOND THAT IF I DO ISSUE AN INJUNCTION, WOULD BE THE POTENTIAL
- 21 DAMAGES. SO I'LL ALLOW THE QUESTION.
- THE WITNESS: WHAT WAS THE QUESTION AGAIN?
- 23 BY MR. WARGO:
- 24 O. DO YOU AGREE WITH ME THAT YOU MADE APPROXIMATELY \$931,000
- 25 LAST YEAR AS AN EMPLOYEE AT MIMEDX?

1 Α. YES. 2 MR. WARGO: OKAY. YOUR HONOR, MAY I HAVE ONE MOMENT? 3 THE COURT: SURE. 4 MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, JUST ARGUMENT, BUT NOTHING 5 FURTHER WITH THIS WITNESS. 6 THE COURT: OKAY. YOU CAN RETURN TO YOUR SEAT. THANK 7 YOU. 8 AND, MR. ROBERTS, YOU CAN CONTINUE YOUR ARGUMENT. 9 MR. ROBERTS: YES, MA'AM. 10 THE COURT: WHY DON'T WE DO THIS. WHY DON'T WE TAKE 11 FIVE MINUTES SINCE WE'VE BEEN GOING ABOUT AN HOUR AND A HALF. 12 I'M NOT SURE IF ANYONE NEEDS A BREAK OR NOT, BUT WE'LL JUST TAKE 13 FIVE MINUTES SO Y'ALL CAN HAVE A QUICK BREAK, AND THEN WE'LL 14 COME BACK. LET'S JUST FOR CLARITY, AT THE CLOCK BACK THERE, AT 15 11:05, SO A LITTLE LONGER THAN FIVE MINUTES. SO LET'S JUST TAKE 16 A SHORT RECESS. 17 (RECESS TAKEN.) 18 THE COURT: OKAY. MR. ROBERTS, YOU CAN PROCEED. 19 MR. ROBERTS: MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT. THANK YOU, 20 YOUR HONOR. YOUR HONOR, I WANT TO BRIEFLY TOUCH ON -- WE'VE 21 TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE -- BRIEFLY WE'VE TALKED A LITTLE 22 BIT ABOUT THE PROVISIONS THAT ARE AT ISSUE, BUT I WANT TO JUST 23 HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE -- I'M GOING TO BE ABLE TO MOVE A LOT QUICKER

AGREEMENT SAYS THE ENTIRE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES. AND I WANT

I WANT TO NOTE OBVIOUSLY THE TERRITORY IN THE

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THAN I THOUGHT.

TO MAKE VERY CLEAR FROM THE OUTSET OF MY LEGAL ARGUMENT HERE 1 2 THAT EVERY INDICATION IN THIS CASE IS THAT MIMEDX KNEW THAT 3 MR. TORNOUIST WAS GOING TO WORK SOLELY IN MINNESOTA. SO ONE OF 4 THE THINGS I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT A LITTLE BIT LATER -- AND 5 RESPECTFULLY, YOUR HONOR, I'M VERY HOPEFUL THAT I'M GOING TO BE 6 ABLE TO CONVINCE THE COURT THAT YOU SIMPLY CANNOT TAKE THAT UNDER THE NEW LAW AND GO TO MINNESOTA. I THINK I'M GOING TO BE 8 ABLE TO CONVINCE YOU OF THAT, AT LEAST I'M GOING TO TRY VERY 9 HARD, BECAUSE I THINK THAT IS THE LAW, BUT, NONETHELESS, I WANT 10 TO MAKE -- KIND OF RAISE THIS POINT UP FRONT. IF COURTS WERE 11 ABLE TO DO THAT, IF COURTS WERE ABLE TO ALLOW COMPANIES TO DRAFT 12 COVENANTS LIKE THIS, HERE'S WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. 13 EVERYBODY IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA IS GOING TO GET A NON-COMPETE 14 WITH A NATIONAL TERRITORY EVEN IF THEY WORK IN FULTON COUNTY 15 WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT, WE CAN GO TO COURT, WE CAN MAKE 16 THAT EMPLOYEE PAY TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO LITIGATE THIS. 17 AND THEN WE HAVE A DECISION FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA 18 WHERE THEY'RE JUST GOING TO CUT IT DOWN TO THE AREA WE WORK. 19 THAT, I THINK, YOUR HONOR, IS EXTREMELY PROBLEMATIC AND I THINK IT'S -- IT'S NOT IN COMPORT WITH THE LAW OR THE RULES OF 20 21 REASONABLENESS THAT I'M GOING TO GET INTO. BUT I JUST WANTED TO 2.2 KIND OF RAISE THAT ISSUE UP FRONT. AND WE'VE ALREADY TALKED 23 ABOUT AND I THINK WE HAVE A CONSENSUS THAT THE NON-COMPETE IS 24 INDEED LIMITED TO THESE THREE -- I GUESS THERE'S ACTUALLY FOUR 25 TYPES OF PRODUCTS. AND WE'VE SPECIFICALLY TALKED ABOUT WHAT I

1 THINK IS BECOMING A CENTRAL ISSUE IN THIS CASE IS THIS TERM

- 2 | "COLLAGEN-BASED." | I THINK IF -- WHAT -- WHAT MR. WARGO WAS
- 3 TRYING TO SUGGEST IN HIS EXAMINATION OF MY CLIENT IS THAT
- 4 COLLAGEN BASED REALLY CAN MEAN IT HAS ANY AMOUNT OF COLLAGEN IN
- 5 IT SIMPLY BECAUSE AN AFFIDAVIT THAT WAS SUBMITTED LAST NIGHT
- 6 SAYS SO. WE ALL KNOW THAT LAWYERS DRAFT AFFIDAVITS. SO ONE OF
- 7 THE IMPORTANT THINGS I ALSO WANT TO POINT OUT AT THE OUTSET IS
- 8 | THAT I THINK THAT INJUNCTIVE RELIEF IS OBVIOUSLY AN
- 9 EXTRAORDINARY REMEDY. AND THIS CASE, IN ORDER FOR THEM TO PROVE
- 10 A LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS ON THE MERITS AS TO THIS COLLAGEN-BASED
- 11 ISSUE, MAY ACTUALLY REQUIRE SOME EXPERT TESTIMONY.
- 12 SO WITH THAT, YOUR HONOR, LET ME PROCEED, TALK VERY BRIEFLY
- 13 ABOUT THE OTHER PROVISION THAT I THINK'S VERY IMPORTANT IN THE
- 14 NON-COMPETE AGREEMENT. AND THIS IS A --
- 15 | WES, CAN YOU -- CAN I SLIDE THIS?
- 16 THE COURT: YES.
- 17 COURTROOM DEPUTY CLERK: I'LL DO IT.
- 18 MR. ROBERTS: SORRY. OH, I SEE.
- 19 THE COURT: IT'S ON THE COMPUTER SCREEN THAT WAY, SO
- 20 IT'S NOT THE PROJECTOR.
- MR. ROBERTS: WELL, WHILE MR. MCCART IS WORKING ON
- 22 THAT, HERE'S --
- THE COURT: I THINK I CAN READ THE GIST OF IT.
- 24 MR. ROBERTS: SO WORDS IN A CONTRACT, YOUR HONOR, THEY
- 25 CAN'T BE IGNORED. AND WHAT THIS CONTRACT SAYS IS THAT THIS

1 AGREEMENT REPRESENTS THE ENTIRE UNDERSTANDING OF THE EMPLOYEE

- 2 | AND THE COMPANY ON THE MATTERS ADDRESSED HEREIN AND MAY NOT BE
- 3 | MODIFIED OTHER THAN IN WRITING SIGNED BY THE EMPLOYER. NOW, I'M
- 4 | SURE MR. WARGO IS GOING TO SAY, WELL, YOUR HONOR, THOSE TYPES OF
- 5 | PROVISIONS ARE INCLUDED IN EVERY AGREEMENT, BUT IT IS THE PLAIN
- 6 LANGUAGE OF THE AGREEMENT. AND I DON'T THINK THAT PROVISION CAN
- 7 BE IGNORED. BUT THEN LET ME TALK ABOUT THE NON-SOLICITATION
- 8 AGREEMENT. OBVIOUSLY THE NON-SOLICITATION AGREEMENT --
- 9 GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. DID YOU GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE?
- 10 MR. MCCART: YES.
- MR. ROBERTS: I'M SORRY, YOUR HONOR.
- 12 THE COURT: THAT'S ALL RIGHT. I'VE GOT A COPY OF ALL
- 13 THIS STUFF HERE, SO JUST GO AHEAD.
- 14 MR. ROBERTS: SO THE NON-SOLICITATION AGREEMENT,
- 15 OBVIOUSLY WHAT WE'RE CONTENDING IS THAT THERE IS AN END TERM
- 16 NON-COMPETE PROVISION IN THERE. AND AN END TERM NON-COMPETE
- 17 PROVISION IS A NON-COMPETE THAT APPLIES ONLY DURING THE TERM OF
- 18 THE EMPLOYMENT. OKAY. THERE'S ALSO A CUSTOMER NON-SOLICITATION
- 19 PROVISION, A NON-RECRUITMENT PROVISION, AND A SIMILAR ENTIRE
- 20 COVENANT PROVISION. NOW, ANOTHER ISSUE THAT I WANT TO POINT OUT
- 21 TO THE COURT, YOUR HONOR, IS -- AND I'VE -- THIS IS ALL I DO.
- 22 I'VE BEEN DOING IT A LONG TIME. AND I RARELY, IF EVER, SEE
- 23 AGREEMENTS THAT ARE DRAFTED LIKE THAT. NORMALLY THE COVENANTS,
- 24 WHEN YOU HAVE COVENANTS, THEY ARE ALL CONTAINED WITHIN ONE
- 25 AGREEMENT. HERE YOU HAVE SIMILAR -- SIMILAR COVENANTS AND

SIMILAR RESTRICTIONS. YOU'VE GOT NON-COMPETES TYPE OF 1 2 AGREEMENTS IN BOTH AGREEMENTS, BUT THESE WERE EXECUTED IN 3 SEPARATE DOCUMENTS. AND I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT A CASE IN A 4 MINUTE THAT'S FROM THIS COURT THAT SPECIFICALLY HELD THAT, YOU 5 KNOW, WHEN YOU HAVE A SITUATION LIKE THAT AND THEN YOU HAVE 6 MERGER CLAUSES SUCH AS THIS WHERE IT SAYS, THIS AGREEMENT SUPERCEDES AND ENTIRELY REPLACES ALL OF THE PRIOR DISCUSSIONS, 8 AGREEMENTS, AND UNDERSTANDINGS OF THE PARTY, ORAL OR IN WRITING, 9 WITH RESPECT TO THE SUBJECT MATTER ADDRESSED IN (VERBATIM), 10 THAT'S A PROBLEM I THINK THAT NEEDS TO AT LEAST BE CONSIDERED BY 11 THE COURT BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY MR. TORNOUIST COULD NOT HAVE 12 EXECUTED BOTH AGREEMENTS SIMULTANEOUSLY. IN OTHER WORDS, HE 13 EXECUTED ONE AGREEMENT AFTER THE OTHER. AND I THINK DISCOVERY 14 WILL NEED TO KIND OF PLAY THAT OUT AS TO SEE WHICH ONE. BUT 15 IT'S OUR CONTENTION THAT WHATEVER AGREEMENT HE EXECUTED 16 SUBSECUENT SUPERSEDED THE FIRST AGREEMENT BECAUSE THEY DEAL WITH 17 THE SAME SUBJECT MATTER. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SOME DIFFERENT 18 COVENANTS IN THOSE AGREEMENTS, THERE ARE ALSO SIMILAR COVENANTS 19 WITHIN THE AGREEMENT. AND I'LL -- THERE'S A CASE CITED IN OUR 20 BRIEF DEALING DIRECTLY WITH THAT ISSUE, YOUR HONOR. NOW, HERE'S 21 HOW I WOULD LIKE TO LAY OUT OUR ARGUMENT, AND UNDERSTANDING SOME OF THE COMMENTS THAT THE COURT MADE EARLIER. BUT, YOU KNOW, 22 23 OBVIOUSLY FIRST, YOUR HONOR, WE CONTEND THAT THE -- THE 24 COVENANTS AND THE AGREEMENT SHOULD BE GOVERNED UNDER THE COMMON 25 LAW IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT ACT IS

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UNCONSTITUTIONAL. I CERTAINLY HEARD THE COURT EARLIER.
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    IT NECESSARY TO BRIEFLY TOUCH ON THAT AT LEAST TO PRESERVE THAT
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    ISSUE IN THE RECORD. AND HOPEFULLY I CAN KIND OF MAKE SOME
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    HEADWAY WITH YOUR HONOR ON THAT BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S A VERY
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    IMPORTANT ISSUE. AND THEN THE SECOND ARGUMENT IS THAT IF --
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    UNDER THE COMMON LAW I DON'T THINK THERE'S GOING TO BE MUCH
    DISPUTE FROM MR. WARGO ON THIS, THAT IF THESE AGREEMENTS WERE
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    INTERPRETED UNDER THE COMMON LAW, THEY WOULD CLEARLY BE
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    UNENFORCEABLE. I DON'T THINK THAT'S MUCH IN DISPUTE. BUT THE
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    THIRD ISSUE, YOUR HONOR, IS, YOU KNOW, EVEN -- EVEN ASSUMING THE
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   R.C.A.'S ULTIMATELY HELD CONSTITUTIONAL, THERE ARE -- UNDER THE
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    NEW STATUTE -- AND -- AND AS YOUR HONOR PROBABLY WELL KNOWS, WE
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   HAVE THREE DECISIONS. THIS LAW HAS BEEN IN EFFECT SINCE MAY
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    11TH, 2011. WE HAVE THREE DECISIONS -- AND, AGAIN, THIS IS ALL
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    I DO -- WE HAVE THREE DECISIONS ON THIS LAW. SO SOME OF THESE
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    ISSUES HAVE YET TO BE DECIDED, HAVE YET TO PLAY OUT, BUT IT IS
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    CLEAR THAT THERE IS PLAIN LANGUAGE IN THE STATUTE THAT SETS
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    FORTH PLEADING REQUIREMENTS THAT WE CONTEND HAVE NOT BEEN MADE
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    IN THIS CASE.
                  BASICALLY UNDER 13-8-55 YOU HAVE TO MAKE A PRIMA
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    FACIE SHOWING OF THE ENFORCEABILITY OF THE COVENANTS UNDER
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    13-8-53, WHICH CLEARLY ON THE FACE OF THE COMPLAINT THE
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    PLAINTIFFS HAVE NOT DONE THAT HERE. AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, YOUR
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   HONOR, THEY CAN'T MAKE A PRIMA FACIE SHOWING BECAUSE THEY FREELY
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   ADMIT, AND THEY'VE DONE SO -- THE COVENANT -- THE NON-COMPETE
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    AGREEMENT EVEN UNDER THE R.C.A. IS UNENFORCEABLE AS WRITTEN.
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AND YOUR HONOR ALLUDED TO THAT EARLIER WHICH I -- IF I 1 2 UNDERSTAND THE COURT CORRECTLY, WHOLEHEARTEDLY AGREE IS A BIG 3 ISSUE WITH ESTABLISHING A SUBSTANTIAL LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS ON 4 THE MERITS. IF THEY COME INTO THIS COURT ADMITTING THAT THE 5

NON-COMPETE AGREEMENT IS INVALID UNDER THE R.C.A., THAT'S A

PROBLEM WITH RESPECT TO INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND THAT'S A PROBLEM 6

WITH RESPECT TO THE PLEADING REQUIREMENTS.

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THEN THE FOURTH ISSUE WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT, YOUR HONOR, IS EVEN IF THE R.C.A. IS ULTIMATELY HELD CONSTITUTIONAL, THE NON-COMPETE PROVISION IS UNENFORCEABLE. I'M GOING TO SHARE SOME CASES WITH YOUR HONOR THAT, AGAIN, I REALLY BELIEVE THAT IF THE COURT LOOKS AT THIS, THE COURT -- TO THE EXTENT THE COURT IS LEANING TO BE ABLE TO SIMPLY ADD -- TO REWRITE THE AGREEMENT TO ADD THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, I THINK I'M GOING TO MAKE A VERY COMPELLING CASE TO YOUR HONOR CITING CASES NOT ONLY FROM GEORGIA, BUT FROM OTHER BLUE-PENCIL STATES THAT -- IN HIGH COURTS IN THOSE STATES SUCH AS THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA THAT -- THAT HAS HAD THIS LAW FOR A LONG TIME. YOU CAN'T DO THAT. YOU CAN'T DO THAT.

THE ONE CASE I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE COVENANT AT ISSUE WAS FOR THE ENTIRETY OF THE STATES OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND NORTH CAROLINA -- NORTH CAROLINA. AND UNDER NORTH CAROLINA LAW, THEY'RE A BLUE-PENCIL STATE JUST LIKE GEORGIA IS. THEY ARE NOT A JUDICIAL MODIFICATION STATE, AND JUDGE THRASH MADE THAT ABSOLUTELY CLEAR IN HIS RECENT LIFEBRITE OPINION THAT GEORGIA IS

1 NOT A JUDICIAL MODIFICATION STATE --

2 THE COURT: NOW, I TAKE THAT CASE DIFFERENTLY THAN YOU

3 DO. AND WHEN I READ THAT CASE, I READ IT SIMILAR TO PLAINTIFF'S

4 | COUNSEL THAT SAYS THAT IF YOU DON'T HAVE A PROVISION AT ALL

5 | WITHIN THE AGREEMENT, THEN YOU CAN'T BLUE PENCIL IT. BUT IF YOU

DO HAVE THE PROVISION, THEN IT'S UP FOR BLUE PENCILING. AND IN

THAT ONE THERE WASN'T ANY STATEMENT ABOUT A RESTRICTION AS TO AN

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9 MR. ROBERTS: OKAY.

10 THE COURT: SO I DON'T READ THAT CASE THE SAME WAY.

11 MR. ROBERTS: WELL, IF -- IF -- A COUPLE OF THINGS ON

12 THAT, YOUR HONOR. THERE IS A GINORMOUS (PHONETIC) DIFFERENCE.

13 AND WHAT JUDGE THRASH TALKED ABOUT IN THAT OPINION WAS THAT HE

14 COULD CHANGE -- YOU COULD CHANGE SOMETHING FROM 75 TO 50 MILES.

15 THAT WAS THE EXACT QUOTE THAT HE USED. BUT HE ALSO SAID THAT,

16 YOU KNOW, IF -- HE DID NOT -- HE DID NOT SAY THAT IF THERE WAS A

PROVISION THAT WAS SO BROAD THAT THE COURT COULD NARROW IT

18 DOWN -- IN OTHER WORDS, THE ENTIRE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES,

19 THAT IT COULD NARROW IT DOWN TO MINNESOTA. HE WAS SPEAKING IN

20 TERMS OF 75 MILES TO 50 MILES. NOW, I THINK THAT JUDGE THRASH

21 WAS A LITTLE OFF ON THAT ASPECT OF THE OPINION BECAUSE I'M GOING

22 TO -- I'M GOING TO GO INTO THE STATUTE --

THE COURT: WELL, LET'S GO INTO IT. YOU KEEP TELLING

24 ME WHAT WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT. LET'S GET INTO IT. WE'RE

25 | SPENDING A LOT OF TIME ON INTRODUCTION. LET'S JUST TALK ABOUT

1 IT.

2 MR. ROBERTS: ALL RIGHT, YOUR HONOR, VERY GOOD. LET'S
3 TALK ABOUT THE MODIFICATION ISSUE.

THE COURT: AND I WILL SAY, TOO, THAT IN THESE

AGREEMENTS THEMSELVES YOU TALK ABOUT THAT THERE ARE THE MERGER

CLAUSES AND THINGS, BUT THERE'S ALSO A PARAGRAPH IN THE DOCUMENT

THAT -- PARAGRAPH NINE THAT SAYS THAT IN THE EVENT A COURT

SHOULD DETERMINE NOT TO ENFORCE A COVENANT AS WRITTEN DUE TO

OVERBREADTH, THE PARTIES SPECIFICALLY AGREE THAT SAID COVENANT

SHALL BE ENFORCED TO THE EXTENT REASONABLE WHETHER SAID

REVISIONS BE IN TIME, TERRITORY, OR SCOPE OF PROHIBITED

ACTIVITY. SO THAT IS IN THE CONTRACT.

MR. ROBERTS: THEN YOU HAVE -- THEN YOU HAVE -- YOU
HAVE AMBIGUOUS PROVISIONS IN THE CONTRACT. AND I THINK WE ALL
KNOW WHAT HAPPENS IN THAT SITUATION. IF YOU HAVE ONE PROVISION
THAT SAYS THAT THE AGREEMENT CANNOT BE MODIFIED EXCEPT BY
EXPRESSED WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE PARTY, AND THEN YOU HAVE
ANOTHER PROVISION THAT SAYS IT CAN'T BE MODIFIED, THERE'S A
PATENT AMBIGUITY THERE. AND UNDER THE HERTZ CASE THAT'S CITED
IN OUR BRIEF, ANY AMBIGUITY SUCH AS THAT IS CONSTRUED AGAINST
THE DRAFTER. AND I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY GET AROUND WITH THAT. I
MEAN, IT'S A TECHNICAL ARGUMENT, I WILL -- I WILL FREELY ADMIT,
BUT THAT IS TO A LARGE EXTENT WHAT THESE CASES ARE OFTEN DECIDED
ON, IS TECHNICAL ISSUES.

THE COURT: WELL, I'M NOT THE PARTIES, SO I'M SEPARATE

1 FROM THE PARTIES.

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MR. ROBERTS: RIGHT. BUT WHAT MY -- WHAT I'M SAYING,
YOUR HONOR, IS IF THERE'S ONE PROVISION THAT SAYS, WE AGREE THAT
THE COURT CAN DO X, Y, Z, OKAY, BUT THERE'S ANOTHER PROVISION
THAT SAYS THAT NOBODY -- IT DOESN'T MENTION ANYBODY, BUT NOBODY
COULD DO ANYTHING TO CHANGE THIS AGREEMENT UNLESS THERE'S
WRITTEN CONSENT, THOSE ARE -- THOSE ARE CONFLICTING. I MEAN,
THOSE ARE AT ODDS WITH ONE ANOTHER. AND I WOULD SUGGEST, YOUR
HONOR, THAT THE LAW IS PRETTY CLEAR THAT WHEN THERE IS THAT TYPE
OF AMBIGUITY OR CONFLICTING PROVISIONS WITHIN AN AGREEMENT,
THERE -- THAT AMBIGUITY IS CONSTRUED AGAINST THE DRAFTER. SO
THAT'S -- THAT'S OUR ARGUMENT THERE. BUT, AGAIN, IT'S A
TECHNICAL ONE, I UNDERSTAND, BUT THESE CASES HAVE BEEN DECIDED
ON TECHNICAL ISSUES FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS. SO THAT -- I JUST

THE COURT: OKAY.

WANTED TO POINT THAT OUT TO THE COURT.

MR. ROBERTS: LET ME GET INTO THE -- THIS MODIFICATION ISSUE. AND LET ME JUMP AHEAD AND FIND MY -- YEAH, I GOT TO FIND MY NOTES. OKAY. SO, YOUR HONOR, UNDER 13-8-51, AND THIS IS IN THE DEFINITIONS IN THE STATUTE, THE -- THE LAW SAYS THAT THE COURT'S BLUE-PENCIL POWERS ARE LIMITED TO SEVERING OR REMOVING UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS AND THEN ENFORCING THE COVENANT TO THE EXTENT THAT THE PROVISIONS ARE REASONABLE.

LET ME -- THAT'S KIND OF A SUMMATION OF THE STATUTE, YOUR HONOR. LET ME READ TO YOU THE EXACT LANGUAGE. SO THE EXACT

1 LANGUAGE -- THIS IS IMPORTANT. OKAY. MODIFICATION. THIS IS

- 2 UNDER -- THIS IS UNDER 13-8-51-11. MODIFICATION MEANS THE
- 3 | LIMITATION OF A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT TO RENDER IT REASONABLE IN
- 4 | LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH IT WAS MADE. SUCH TERMS
- 5 | SHALL INCLUDE. OKAY. THAT'S WHAT IT SAYS, SUCH TERMS SHALL
- 6 INCLUDE. IT DOESN'T SAY SUCH TERMS SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE
- 7 | LIMITED TO. AND LET ME PROVIDE SOME AUTHORITY TO THE COURT ON
- 8 THAT ISSUE. IF I MAY APPROACH, YOUR HONOR?
- 9 THE COURT: SURE.
- 10 MR. ROBERTS: THIS WAS ONE OF THE ARGUMENTS THAT WAS
- 11 RAISED IN A REPLY BRIEF LAST NIGHT. AND BASICALLY WHAT THEY'RE
- 12 | SAYING IS THAT -- OBVIOUSLY OUR ARGUMENT IS THAT, UNDER THE
- 13 TWO-PRONG APPROACH, THAT THE PROCESS IS YOU SEVER IT AND THEN --
- 14 IN OTHER WORDS, WHAT THE BLUE -- THE BLUE PENCIL DOES, AS JUDGE
- 15 THRASH SAID, IT MARKS. IT DOESN'T WRITE. SO BLUE PENCIL, YOU
- 16 SEVER AND THEN YOU ENFORCE WHAT'S REMAINING IF IT IS
- 17 ENFORCEABLE. WHAT THEY'RE ARGUING IS THAT THE TERM INCLUDING --
- 18 | INCLUDE, SO THEY'RE SAYING THAT MODIFICATION MEANS THE
- 19 LIMITATION OF RESTRICTIVE COVENANT TO READ -- TO RENDER IT
- 20 REASONABLE IN LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH WAS MADE SUCH
- 21 TERMS SHALL INCLUDE.
- 22 WELL, IN AT LEAST NINE OR TEN OTHER PARTS OF THIS STATUTE,
- 23 THE -- THEY USE THE WORD "INCLUDE" WITHOUT LIMITATION OR INCLUDE
- 24 BUT NOT LIMITING TO. OKAY. SO UNDER THE DECISION IN BERRYHILL
- 25 VS. COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND SOLUTIONS, WHICH I'LL PROVIDE A COPY

TO COUNSEL AND TO THE COURT, IF I MAY APPROACH?

THE COURT: MM-HUM.

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MR. ROBERTS: THIS IS DIRECTLY ON POINT AND VERY IMPORTANT. SO ON THE FOURTH PAGE OF THIS WESTLAW, THE BOTTOM RIGHT-HAND CORNER OF THE FOURTH PAGE, IT TALKS ABOUT IN THIS --AND THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT DECIDED THE COURT RECOGNIZED THAT THE TERM "INCLUDES" MAY SOMETIMES BE TAKEN AS SYNONYMOUS WITH MEANS. THE SUPREME COURT HAS ALSO POINTED OUT THAT WE MAY HAVE A SENSE OF ADDITION AND ALSO BUT (VERBATIM) MAY MERELY SPECIFICALLY PARTICULARLY DEAL WITH THAT BELONGS IN THE GEANCE (PHONETIC). AND ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE PAGE IN THE HIGHLIGHTED SECTION THE -- THIS IS THE GEORGIA SUPREME COURT SAYS THAT, THEREFORE, IT IS CLEARLY REASONABLE THAT THE WORD "INCLUDES" AS MEANING IS EQUIVALENT TO AND TO CONCLUDE THAT THE SPECIFIC PHRASES IN SUBSECTION C ARE THE ENTIRE DEFINITION. THE VERY NEXT PAGE THE COURT SAYS, THE LEGISLATURE -- HAD THE LEGISLATURE INTENDED THE WORD "INCLUDES" AS A BROAD TERM OF ILLUSTRATION AS OPPOSED TO A NARROWING TERM, THEN THEY WOULD NOT HAVE USED THE TERM "INCLUDING" BUT NOT LIMITED TO IN OTHER PARTS OF THE STATUTE.

SO WHAT BERRYHILL BASICALLY SAYS, IS THAT WHEN YOU HAVE A SITUATION LIKE THIS IN 13-8-51 AND IT'S -- AND IT -- AND IT SAYS THE MODIFICATION INCLUDES SEVERING, TAKING THE PENCIL, MARKING THROUGH THE UNENFORCEABLE TERMS, IN THIS CASE, THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES, AND THEN ENFORCING THE PROVISION TO THE EXTENT IT

1 REMAINS ENFORCEABLE, THAT'S ALL THERE IS. AND THAT'S EXACTLY

- 2 WHAT BERRYHILL STANDS FOR. BECAUSE IN OTHER PARTS OF THE
- 3 | STATUTE, JUST LIKE IN OTHER PARTS OF THE STATUTE IN BERRYHILL,
- 4 | THE TERM "INCLUDING" WITHOUT LIMITATION OR INCLUDING BUT NOT
- 5 | LIMITED TO IS USED THROUGHOUT THE STATUTE. SO -- AND, THEN,
- 6 YOUR HONOR, YOU ACTUALLY CITED BERRYHILL IN A DECISION BASICALLY
- 7 FOR THIS PROPOSITION. IF I MAY APPROACH?
- 8 THE COURT: YES.
- 9 MR. ROBERTS: THIS WAS YOUR HONOR'S DECISION IN
- 10 HOLCOMBE VS. DIRECTV. AND ON PAGE SIX OF THIS OPINION ON THE
- 11 LEFT-HAND COLUMN YOUR HONOR SAYS THAT -- YOUR HONOR HELD THAT
- 12 EVEN IF THE COURT FOUND THAT THE G.P.U.U.C. (VERBATIM) WAS
- 13 AMBIGUOUS, IN PARI MATERIA WOULD STILL NOT APPLY BECAUSE THE
- 14 G.P.U.C. AND THE T.C.P.A. BOTH USE DISTINCT LANGUAGE. DIFFERENT
- 15 WORDS USED IN THE SAME OR SIMILAR STATUTE ARE ASSIGNED DIFFERENT
- 16 MEANINGS WHENEVER POSSIBLE.
- SO, IN OTHER WORDS, THE TERM "INCLUDE" VERSUS, AS THEY
- 18 DISCUSSED IN BERRY -- BERRYHILL, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO OR
- 19 INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, THEY HAVE TO BE PRESCRIBED
- 20 DIFFERENT MEANINGS BY THE COURT. AND THE COURT FOR THAT
- 21 PROPOSITION CITED TO BERRYHILL IN YOUR OPINION. SO WE'RE
- 22 TALKING SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THE COURT'S ABILITY NOW TO MODIFY
- 23 RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS. AND I WOULD ALSO SUGGEST TO THE COURT,
- 24 YOUR HONOR, THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN AROUND A LONG
- 25 TIME. THERE ARE NUMEROUS DIFFERENT APPROACHES THAT THE COURTS

1 USE IN TERMS OF MODIFYING SOMETHING THAT'S UNENFORCEABLE. AND,

- 2 AGAIN, LET'S REMEMBER WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. THEY HAVE COME
- 3 TO COURT ADMITTING THAT THE NON-COMPETE IS OVERLY BROAD. SO
- 4 | SEVERAL DIFFERENT APPROACHES. STATES LIKE FLORIDA AND TEXAS ARE
- 5 | MANDATORY REFORMATION STATES, IN OTHER WORDS, THAT IF YOU HAVE
- 6 AN UNENFORCEABLE PROVISION, THE COURTS IN THOSE STATES MUST
- 7 REFORM THE AGREEMENT.
- 8 OKAY. THERE -- THE NEXT LEVEL DOWN IS JUDICIAL
- 9 MODIFICATION STATES. AND THOSE ARE STATES WHERE THE COURT IS
- 10 EMPOWERED TO MAKE -- THROUGH COMMON LAW OR STATUTE, TO REWRITE
- 11 THE AGREEMENTS OF THE PARTY TO MAKE THEM REASONABLE. GEORGIA
- 12 FORMERLY FELL WITHIN THE LOWER RUNG OF THAT WHICH IS CALLED
- 13 RED-PENCIL STATES, AND RED-PENCIL STATES WOULD -- THEY STILL
- 14 EXIST. SOUTH CAROLINA IS A RED-PENCIL STATE. ARKANSAS IS A
- 15 RED-PENCIL STATE. VIRGINIA IS A RED-PENCIL STATE. AND UNDER
- 16 THE RED-PENCIL THEORY, IF THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH THE COVENANT,
- 17 THE COURT DOES NOT HAVE ANY ABILITY TO MODIFY THAT COVENANT.
- 18 THAT'S WHAT WE USED TO BE, AND THAT WAS REALLY ONE OF THE MAIN
- 19 POINTS WITH THE R.C.A. BUT UNDER THE R.C.A., WHAT WE HAVE NOW,
- 20 WE ARE A STRICT BLUE-PENCIL STATE. AND I'VE GOT A LOT OF
- 21 INFORMATION IN OUR BRIEFS ON THAT. AND WHAT THAT MEANS, YOUR
- 22 HONOR, IS THAT UNDER THE STRICT BLUE-PENCIL THEORY OF
- 23 | SEVERABILITY, THE COURT CAN MARK, BUT IT CAN'T WRITE. THAT'S
- 24 WHAT THE HAMERICK CASE SAYS AND THAT IS WHAT HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE
- 25 THEORY BEHIND MODIFICATION OF THESE STATUTES.

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SO IN KIND OF SUMMATION OF THAT ISSUE, YOUR HONOR -- AND
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    I'VE GOT A COUPLE MORE CASES I WANT TO SHARE -- THERE IS --
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    THERE IS NOTHING IN THE STATUTE -- AND REMEMBER IN JUDGE
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    THRASH'S OPINION HE DID SAY STATUTES THAT ARE IN DEROGATION OF
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    THE COMMON LAW HAVE TO BE CONSTRUED STRICTLY. SO THERE IS
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    NOTHING IN THIS STATUTE THAT GIVES THIS COURT THE ABILITY TO
    TAKE A PROVISION THAT'S AS BROAD AS THE CONTINENTAL UNITED
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    STATES AND THEN MARK THROUGH THAT AND THEN COME BACK IN AND
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    WRITE IN THE WORD "MINNESOTA" SIMPLY BECAUSE MY CLIENT WORKED IN
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    PART OF THAT.
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    SUGGEST THAT THE COURT IS EMPOWERED TO DO UNDER THE STATUTE.
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         A COUPLE OF CASES ON THAT ISSUE, YOUR HONOR. I MENTION THE
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   NORTH CAROLINA CASE. AND LET ME FIND THAT AND POINT THAT OUT TO
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    YOU. OKAY. THIS IS UNDER TAB 30 OF THE MATERIALS. AND THIS IS
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    BEVERAGE SYSTEMS OF THE CAROLINAS VS. ASSOCIATED BEVERAGE
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    REPAIR, LLC, SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA CASE, CAME OUT
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    FAIRLY RECENTLY IN MARCH, AND IT REALLY MADE A LOT OF HEADLINES.
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    SO I WOULD ASK THE COURT TO TAKE ITS ATTENTION TO PARAGRAPH --
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    OR PAGE NINE OF THE OPINION. AND, AGAIN, I DON'T THINK ANYBODY
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    WOULD ARGUE THAT THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, ITS BLUE-PENCIL
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    LAWS ARE ANY DIFFERENT THAN OURS. WE'RE A BLUE PENCIL -- IF THE
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   R.C.A. IS CONSTITUTIONAL, WE ARE A BLUE-PENCIL STATE AND THE
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   NORTH CAROLINA IS A BLUE-PENCIL STATE.
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              THE COURT: DO YOU HAVE THAT STATUTE IN FRONT OF YOU?
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DO YOU HAVE 13-8-5? DO YOU HAVE THAT IN FRONT OF YOU, THE

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    STATUTE, THE GEORGIA STATUTE?
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              MR. ROBERTS: YES, MA'AM.
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              THE COURT: YES. LOOK AT SECTION 11(B) OF THAT
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    STATUTE.
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              MR. ROBERTS: OKAY. ONE SECOND. AND WHAT?
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              THE COURT: BECAUSE THAT PORTION SAYS THAT IT SHALL
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    INCLUDE --
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              MR. ROBERTS: I'M SORRY, YOUR HONOR. WHAT?
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              THE COURT: LOOK AT O.C.G.A. 13-8-5-11(B) --
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              LAW CLERK: 51.
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              THE COURT: EXCUSE ME. I CAN'T READ YOUR WRITING.
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              LAW CLERK: 13-8-51-11(B)
              THE COURT: EXCUSE ME. 51-11(B).
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              MR. ROBERTS: 13-8-51 --
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              THE COURT: 11(B).
              MR. ROBERTS: -- 11(B), THE DEFINITION OF
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   MODIFICATION.
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              THE COURT: RIGHT. IT STATES IN THERE THAT IT ALSO
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    SHALL INCLUDE ENFORCING THE PROVISIONS OF A RESTRICTED COVENANT
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    TO THE EXTENT THAT THE PROVISIONS ARE REASONABLE. WHY DOESN'T
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    THAT CUT AGAINST WHAT YOU'RE ARGUING?
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              MR. ROBERTS: WELL, WHAT I READ THAT TO SAY, YOUR
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   HONOR, IS THAT ONCE YOU SEVER THE UNENFORCEABLE TERM, IN THIS
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   CASE, THE ENTIRE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES, THEN YOU GO TO THE
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   NEXT STEP. AND YOU CAN ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS TO THE EXTENT
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1 THAT THOSE PROVISIONS ARE REASONABLE, MEANING THAT IF YOU ARE --

- 2 | HERE'S HOW WE -- HERE'S HOW MOST PEOPLE DRAFT COVENANTS UNDER
- 3 | THE LAW. SO IF WE WANTED TO -- IF WE WANTED -- FIRST OF ALL, WE
- 4 | WOULDN'T DO A NATIONWIDE COVENANT FOR SOMEBODY THAT ONLY WORKS
- 5 IN MINNESOTA. BUT LET'S JUST SAY FOR SAKE OF ARGUMENT THAT WE
- 6 WANTED TO PRECLUDE MR. TORNQUIST FROM WORKING IN 15 COUNTIES IN
- 7 THE NORTHERN AREA OF MINNESOTA. SO THE PRUDENT THING FOR A
- 8 DRAFTER OF A CONTRACT LIKE THIS IN THE FACE OF THIS LANGUAGE IS
- 9 TO LIST THOSE 15 COUNTIES.
- 10 THE COURT: RIGHT. BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT WE'RE TALKING
- 11 ABOUT. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT AND THIS STATUTE AND
- 12 THIS PROVISION. SO LET'S NOT TALK ABOUT THE WAY IT SHOULD BE
- 13 DRAFTED.
- MR. ROBERTS: OKAY.
- 15 THE COURT: LET'S TALK ABOUT MORE WHAT WE'RE DOING.
- 16 MR. ROBERTS: OKAY. SO TO DIRECTLY ANSWER YOUR
- 17 QUESTION, I THINK IT'S PRETTY CLEAR THE LANGUAGE IN SECTION B,
- 18 ENFORCING THE PROVISIONS OF A RESTRICTED COVENANT TO THE EXTENT
- 19 THEY ARE REASONABLE, MEANING -- MEANING, TO THE EXTENT THAT
- 20 THERE REMAINS AN ENFORCEABLE PROVISION.
- 21 THE COURT: SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT IF THEY HAD JUST
- 22 LISTED ALL 50 STATES AND SAID, OKAY, WE WANT TO LIMIT YOUR
- 23 ABILITY TO WORK IN GEORGIA, TEXAS, CALIFORNIA, BLAH, BLAH, BLAH,
- 24 THEN THE -- YOU COULD STRIKE ALL THOSE WITH THE BLUE PENCIL
- 25 EXCEPT FOR MINNESOTA, BUT WHAT YOU CAN'T DO IS SAME THING WITH

1 THE WORD "UNITED STATES" AND SEPARATE THAT OUT?

2 MR. ROBERTS: I THINK THEORETICALLY THAT'S CORRECT,

3 YOUR HONOR. AND, YOU KNOW, I'VE ACTUALLY DONE THAT BEFORE, BUT

ONLY IN SITUATIONS WHERE THE EMPLOYEE WAS WORKING THROUGHOUT THE

5 COUNTRY. YOU RUN THE RISK HERE -- THIS IS A VERY DIFFERENT

6 | SITUATION. I MEAN, THEY JUST WILLY-NILLY LABELED THE ENTIRE

7 lacktriangle COUNTRY AND THEN, YOU KNOW, BUT FOR THE LAWSUIT THAT WAS FILED,

MY CLIENT WOULD HAVE TO COME INTO THE COURT, AND, AGAIN, SPEND

9 TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO TRY TO DETERMINE, YOU KNOW, HIS

10 RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES HERE. SO TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION

11 THERE, I DON'T THINK MANY PEOPLE WOULD DO THAT BECAUSE, IN

12 ADDITION TO THESE ISSUES WE'RE DISCUSSING, I THINK IT'S

13 IMPORTANT TO NOTE TO THE COURT THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO MODIFY

14 ANYTHING. THE COURT -- THE MODIFICATION PROVISION, WHATEVER IT

15 IS -- AND I RESPECTFULLY, YOUR HONOR, VERY STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT

16 WE'RE RIGHT -- BUT IT'S DISCRETIONARY WITH THE COURT. SO WHEN A

17 COMPANY COMES IN IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS AND HAS CLEARLY

18 OVERREACHED, THEN THE COURT SHOULD NOT THEN ENFORCE THE

19 CONTRACT.

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20 LET ME SHARE A CASE WITH YOU, YOUR HONOR, IF I MAY, EXACTLY

21 ON THAT ISSUE. AND THIS IS FROM -- THIS IS AN ILLINOIS CASE.

22 AND I'M SHARING THESE OUT-OF-JURISDICTION CASES WITH YOUR HONOR,

23 YOU KNOW, I WOULDN'T NORMALLY DO THAT. WE DON'T -- WE DON'T

24 HAVE A LOT OF CASE LAW, SO I THINK THESE ARE VERY HELPFUL.

THE COURT: AND JUST TO LET YOU KNOW, TOO, THAT WE

1 DON'T HAVE EIGHT HOURS TO DO THIS, SO MAKE SURE THAT YOU'RE NOT

- 2 JUST GOING OVER THINGS THAT ARE ALREADY IN YOUR BRIEF AND THAT
- 3 YOU'RE USING YOUR TIME --
- 4 MR. ROBERTS: I UNDERSTAND. THIS IS NOT IN OUR BRIEF.
- 5 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 6 MR. ROBERTS: AND IF I MAY APPROACH?
- THE COURT: YES.
- 8 MR. ROBERTS: SO ILLINOIS IS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT
- 9 | THAN GEORGIA IN THAT ILLINOIS IS A JUDICIAL MODIFICATION STATE,
- 10 MEANING, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS THE COURTS ARE NOT LIMITED BY
- 11 THIS STRICT BLUE-PENCIL POWER. THE COURTS UNDER CERTAIN
- 12 CIRCUMSTANCES CAN BASICALLY REWRITE THE AGREEMENTS OF THE
- 13 PARTIES, BUT THERE'S DISCRETION WITHIN THE COURT TO DO SO. SO
- 14 | IF THE COURT WOULD TURN ITS ATTENTION TO PAGE 11, AND THIS IS
- 15 THE -- THEY DISCUSS THE OVERBREADTH IN PAGE 11. AND WHAT'S VERY
- 16 IMPORTANT ABOUT THIS OPINION, YOUR HONOR, IS THAT IN THIS CASE
- 17 IT WAS A NATIONWIDE NON-COMPETE AGREEMENT. OKAY. SO THE -- YOU
- 18 HAD A NATIONWIDE NON-COMPETE AGREEMENT, AND THAT'S SET FORTH ON
- 19 PAGE 12 AND 13 WHERE IT -- WHERE IT SAYS THAT THE -- THE
- 20 EMPLOYEE CANNOT PERFORM SERVICES ANYWHERE IN THE UNITED STATES
- 21 OR ITS TERRITORY.
- 22 SO HERE'S THE APPROACH -- SAME EXACT SITUATION. HERE'S THE
- 23 APPROACH THE ILLINOIS COURT TOOK, AGAIN, ILLINOIS BEING EVEN
- 24 MORE LIBERAL TOWARD THE ENFORCEMENT OF NON-COMPETES THAN
- 25 GEORGIA. SO ON PAGE 20 OF THE OPINION, IT NOTES THAT THE

1 PLAINTIFF IN THAT CASE, IN OTHER WORDS, WHAT WOULD BE MIMEDX,

- 2 | SPECIFICALLY CONTENDED JUST AS THEY ARE DOING HERE, THAT IF THE
- 3 | NON-COMPETE WAS OVERBROAD, THAT THE COURT SHOULD MODIFY THE
- 4 PROVISION TO SOME LESSER TERRITORY. AND ON PAGE 21 AND 22, THE
- 5 | ILLINOIS APPELLATE COURT SPECIFICALLY TALKED ABOUT WHY THEY HAD
- 6 NO INTEREST IN DOING THAT, THAT THE -- AND ON THE BOTTOM OF THE
- 7 PAGE IT SAYS THAT SIGNIFICANTLY WE'RE NOT DEALING WITH ONE MINOR
- 8 | DEFICIENCY. IN OTHER WORDS, WE'RE NOT DEALING WITH THE
- 9 | SITUATION THAT JUDGE THRASH TALKED ABOUT IN HIS OPINION WHERE IT
- 10 WAS 75 MILES AND GOING TO -- GOING TO 50 MILES. THE COURT SAID
- 11 WE'RE NOT DEALING WITH A MINOR DEFICIENCY. WE FIND THE
- 12 REASONING OF THE COURT AN ITEM IN PARTICULARLY ITEM (VERBATIM)
- 13 OF A PARTICULAR SITUATION. AND HE -- THEY GO ON TO SAY THAT
- 14 ULTIMATELY WE FIND THE DEFICIENCIES HERE TOO GREAT TO PERMIT
- 15 MODIFICATION.
- 16 THE COURT: RIGHT. AND THAT WAS BECAUSE THERE WERE
- 17 | SEVERAL DIFFERENT DEFICIENCIES IN THE AGREEMENT, NOT JUST THE
- 18 GEOGRAPHIC ONE.
- 19 MR. ROBERTS: WELL, I THINK --
- 20 THE COURT: ARE YOU SAYING THAT THERE ARE OTHER
- 21 DEFICIENCIES IN THIS AGREEMENT OTHER THAN THE TERRITORIAL? AND
- 22 THESE AGREEMENTS IN THIS CASE, I KNOW THAT YOU'RE SAYING THAT
- 23 THE AGREEMENTS ARE OVERBROAD IN TERMS OF THE TERRITORIAL
- 24 LIMITATION. ARE THERE OTHER AREAS IN WHICH YOU SAY THIS
- 25 PARTICULAR SET OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS IS TOO BROAD, OR IS IT

- 1 JUST THE TERRITORIAL LIMIT ISSUE?
- 2 MR. ROBERTS: WELL, I BELIEVE WE ARGUED THAT -- YEAH,
- 3 THE COLLAGEN, YOU KNOW, THE DESCRIPTION OF THE RESTRICTIVE
- 4 | BUSINESS GOES INTO AREAS THAT HE DID NOT TAKE PART IN, SO THAT
- 5 IS OVERBROAD. BUT THE GLARING OVERBREADTH IS THE -- IS THE
- 6 GEOGRAPHIC TERRITORY, THAT'S RIGHT, YOUR HONOR.
- 7 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 8 MR. ROBERTS: SO, ANYWAY, I THINK THIS ILLINOIS
- 9 | POINT -- THIS ILLINOIS CASE IS VERY INSTRUCTIVE TO THE COURT ON
- 10 THIS ISSUE, THE NORTH CAROLINA CASE, ON THIS ISSUE OF
- 11 OVERBREADTH. SO LET ME JUST MAKE SURE I'VE TOUCHED EVERYTHING I
- 12 WANTED TO ON THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE, YOUR HONOR, SINCE WE'RE
- 13 JUMPING AROUND.
- 14 OKAY. I DID WANT TO DISCUSS ONE OTHER CASE.
- 15 THE COURT: AND I'LL TELL YOU, WE'VE GOT ABOUT 15
- 16 MINUTES OF TIME, SO JUST KIND OF MAKE SURE THAT YOU GET TO THE
- 17 MOST IMPORTANT PARTS.
- 18 MR. ROBERTS: VERY GOOD. I WANTED TO DISCUSS THE
- 19 | PETOWITZ CASE, YOUR HONOR --
- 20 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 21 MR. ROBERTS: -- FROM THIS COURT. AND THAT'S UNDER
- 22 TAB 27 OF THE MATERIALS. AND THIS WAS JUDGE VINING. AND JUST
- 23 | SIMILAR TO WHAT HAPPENED IN THIS CASE IN PETOWITZ -- AND THIS IS
- 24 THE THIRD CASE THAT I'M AWARE OF. SO WE'VE GOT -- WE'VE GOT
- 25 JUDGE STORY'S DECISION SEVERAL YEARS AGO IN NORTH POINT. WE'VE

1 GOT JUDGE THRASH'S RECENT DECISION IN LIFEBRITE. AND THEN WE'VE

- 2 GOT JUDGE VININGS' DECISION IN PETOWITZ. THOSE ARE THE ONLY
- 3 | THREE DECISIONS, STATE OR FEDERAL, THAT I'M AWARE OF IN TERMS OF
- 4 | THE STATUTE. BUT PETOWITZ IS VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE JUDGE
- 5 VINING (VERBATIM) DENIED THE PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST FOR A
- 6 | PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION BASED ON A NATIONWIDE NON-COMPETE
- 7 AGREEMENT WHERE THE EMPLOYEE DID NOT WORK IN EVERY STATE. AND
- 8 IN THE OPINION ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THE OPINION, AGAIN, THIS IS
- 9 UNDER TAB 27, THE COURT NOTES THAT THE PROHIBITION WAS WITHIN
- 10 NORTH AMERICA, AGAIN, A VERY BROAD ONE. AND THEN ON PAGE FIVE
- 11 OF THE OPINION ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE JUDGE SAID, THE EMPLOYEE'S
- 12 NON-COMPETE PROVISION PREVENTED HER FROM ENGAGING IN SERVICES
- 13 | SIMILAR TO T.B.G. WITHIN NORTH AMERICA FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS
- 14 MUST BE REASONABLE. THE PLAINTIFF HAS NOT PERSUASIVELY
- 15 DEMONSTRATED THAT NORTH AMERICAN TERRITORIES ARE REASONABLE
- 16 GEOGRAPHIC LIMITATION. AS SUCH, THE COURT CANNOT CONCLUDE THAT
- 17 THE PLAINTIFFS ARE SUBSTANTIVELY LIKELY TO SUCCEED ON THE
- 18 MERITS.
- 19 AND YOUR HONOR RAISED THAT ISSUE, I BELIEVE, WHEN YOU WERE
- 20 GOING OVER SOME OF THE THINGS THAT YOU WANTED TO TALK ABOUT, THE
- 21 FACT THAT THEY CAN'T SHOW A SUBSTANTIAL LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS
- 22 WHEN THEY COME TO THE COURT WITH AN AGREEMENT THAT SAYS THE
- 23 ENTIRE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES.
- 24 ONE OTHER CASE THAT IS NOT IN THE MATERIALS, YOUR HONOR,
- 25 | THAT I WANTED TO NOTE FOR THE COURT, AND UNFORTUNATELY I DON'T

1 | HAVE A COPY OF THIS, SO I'LL JUST BRING IT TO THE ATTENTION OF

- 2 THE COURT --
- THE COURT: THAT'S FINE.
- 4 MR. ROBERTS: -- THIS IS THE PARAMOUNT TAX ACCOUNTING
- 5 VS. H&R BLOCK EASTERN ENTERPRISES CASE. IT'S CITED AT 299
- 6 GEORGIA APP 596, COURT OF APPEALS FOR 2009. AND BASICALLY WHAT
- 7 | THAT CASE SAID WAS THAT A NATIONWIDE RESTRICTION IS REALLY NO
- 8 RESTRICTION AT ALL. AND I WANT THE COURT TO PLEASE CONSIDER
- 9 THIS. SO WHAT THEIR ARGUMENT IS, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, AND AS IT
- 10 RELATES TO THE LIFEBRITE CASE, THEY'RE SAYING THAT THE LIFEBRITE
- 11 CASE, THERE WAS A TERRITORY. AND -- OR, I'M SORRY, THE
- 12 | LIFEBRITE CASE THERE WAS NOT A TERRITORY. IN THIS CASE THERE
- 13 WAS A TERRITORY. WHAT THIS CASE STANDS FOR THE PROPOSITION OF
- 14 IS THAT A NATIONWIDE RESTRICTION IS REALLY NO TERRITORY AT ALL.
- 15 SO WHAT IF THEIR AGREEMENT, YOUR HONOR, SAID, YOU CAN'T -- YOU
- 16 CAN'T COMPETE WITH US ANYWHERE IN THE UNIVERSE, WOULD THEY THEN
- 17 BE ABLE TO SAY THERE IS A TERRITORY THAT THE COURT CAN MARK
- 18 DOWN, OR WHAT IF THEY SAID THE GALAXY, OR WHAT IF THEY SAID
- 19 ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD? IN OTHER WORDS, YOU SEE THE -- WHAT I'M
- 20 CONTENDING, YOUR HONOR, IS KIND OF THE SILLINESS OF THAT
- 21 ARGUMENT. THIS IS NOT A MINOR DEFICIENCY. THIS WAS AN INTENDED
- 22 ACT WHERE -- I MEAN, THESE GUYS DON'T HAVE PEOPLE WORKING ACROSS
- 23 THE UNITED STATES THAT I KNOW OF. THEY'RE ASSIGNED TO SPECIFIC
- 24 TERRITORIES. I MEAN, THIS GUY WAS THE TOP SALES REP IN THE
- 25 ENTIRE COUNTRY AND HE WORKED IN A SPECIFIC PART OF ONE STATE.

1 | SO HOW CAN THEY LEGITIMATELY ARGUE THAT THERE'S A TERRITORY WHEN

- 2 | THEY HAVE IT FOR THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES? IT WASN'T THE
- 3 | NORTHEAST OR THIS, YOU KNOW, THREE OR FOUR STATES. IT'S THE
- 4 ENTIRE UNITED STATES.
- 5 SO WHAT THAT CASE SAYS, YOUR HONOR, IS THAT IT'S TANTAMOUNT
- 6 TO THERE NOT BEING A TERRITORY AT ALL. AND -- AND, AGAIN, YOUR
- 7 HONOR, THE COURT HAS DISCRETION IN SITUATIONS LIKE THIS. AND I
- 8 AM CONCERNED, YOUR HONOR, THAT IF THE COURT WERE TO FIND THAT IT
- 9 COULD -- AND TAKING ALL MY MODIFICATION ISSUES INTO ACCOUNT, I'M
- 10 CONCERNED THAT IF THE COURT WERE TO FIND THAT -- TO BASICALLY
- 11 LET THEM GET AWAY WITH THIS, THEN WHAT'S EVERYBODY GOING TO DO?
- 12 THEY'RE GOING TO DRAFT THEIR NON-COMPETE AGREEMENTS FOR THE
- 13 ENTIRE COUNTRY. AND SO THAT'S GOING TO PUT AN UNDUE BURDEN ON
- 14 THE COURT. THERE'S GOING TO BE PEOPLE THAT -- YOU KNOW, THERE'S
- 15 GOING TO BE A PLETHORA OF NON-COMPETE LITIGATION BECAUSE PEOPLE
- 16 ARE GOING TO BELIEVE THAT THEY CAN GET AWAY WITH THE
- 17 OVERREACHING. SO I THINK THAT IS AN ISSUE FOR THE COURT THAT I
- 18 WOULD RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE COURT CONSIDER.
- 19 MR. MCCART: THE GOOD FAITH.
- 20 MR. ROBERTS: THE OTHER POINT -- THIS IS VERY
- 21 IMPORTANT TOO, YOUR HONOR. THE STATUTE SPECIFICALLY REQUIRES
- 22 UNDER 13-8-53 THAT THE -- THERE BE A GOOD FAITH ESTIMATE MADE AS
- 23 TO THE TERRITORY AND THAT ANY GOOD FAITH ESTIMATE, WHICH THAT
- 24 PRESUMABLY REQUIRES A GOOD FAITH ESTIMATE, OF THE GEOGRAPHIC
- 25 AREA THAT MAY BE APPLICABLE AT THE TIME OF THE TERMINATION SHALL

ALSO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENT EVEN IF SUCH ESTIMATE IS CAPABLE OF 1 2 INCLUDING OR ULTIMATELY PROVES TO BE EXTRANEOUS.

THIS IS NOT A SITUATION WHERE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT AN

- 4 EXTRANEOUS SITUATION. THIS IS TALKING ABOUT A SITUATION WHERE
- 5 48 STATES, WHEN HE WAS ONLY GOING TO BE WORKING IN ONE, THAT'S
- 6 NOT EXTRANEOUS. SO, AGAIN, MODIFYING THE NON-COMPETE AS THEY
- SUGGEST, DOING AWAY WITH THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES AND THEN
- 8 THE COURT REWRITING THE AGREEMENT TO PUT IN THE TERM
- 9 "MINNESOTA," WHICH I RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST THAT THE COURT NOT --
- 10 CANNOT DO, THAT WOULD CREATE AN EXCEPTION THAT WOULD SWALLOW THE
- 11 RULE THAT EMPLOYERS -- THE SPECIFIC RULE THAT REQUIRES EMPLOYERS
- 12 TO DRAFT REASONABLE COVENANTS. SO THAT'S GOING TO BE -- THAT'S
- 13 GOING TO BE THE LAST ISSUE THAT I WANT TO RAISE ON THAT, YOUR
- 14 HONOR.

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- 15 LET'S GO TO -- LET'S GO TO THE PROOF OF VIOLATIONS. SO
- 16 MR. WARGO INCLUDED A TRANSCRIPT IN HIS FILINGS YESTERDAY OF A
- 17 CASE THAT I WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN IN FRONT OF JUDGE ROSS. IT WAS
- 18 IN ACTUALITY A VERY SIMILAR CASE. AND WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT
- 19 COVENANTS AND WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT -- WE'VE BEEN TALKING
- 20 ABOUT PRODUCTS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. BUT I THINK WHAT WE ALSO
- 21 NEED TO KEEP IN MIND IS THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO EVIDENCE -- I
- 22 HAVEN'T HEARD ANY EVIDENCE, I HAVE NOT SEEN ANY EVIDENCE, YOUR
- 23 HONOR, BEFORE THE COURT DEALING WITH ANY TYPE OF CONFIDENTIAL
- 24 INFORMATION AND TRADE SECRETS.
- 25 THE COURT: WELL, I WILL TELL YOU THAT IN TERMS OF

1 KIND OF HOW I STARTED, WHAT MY ISSUE IS, IS NOT THE TRADE 2 SECRETS AND ALL THAT.

MR. ROBERTS: OKAY.

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THE COURT: IT'S REALLY BACK TO WHETHER OR NOT YOUR
CLIENT SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO TAKE THIS JOB AND WORK IN THIS AREA.
AND THAT'S REALLY WHAT I'M FOCUSED ON BECAUSE I HAVEN'T SEEN THE
EVIDENCE OF THE IRREPARABLE HARM BECAUSE OF THE TRADE SECRETS.
I THINK THAT IS SOMETHING THAT I FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE ABOUT.

MR. ROBERTS: OKAY. WELL, THEN LET ME MOVE AWAY FROM THAT, YOUR HONOR. AND YOU DIDN'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE TWO SALES FROM WHERE HE MADE ONLY \$581. I POINTED OUT THAT I THINK MR. TORNQUIST TESTIFIED I THINK THERE IS, AT MINIMUM, A DISPUTED ISSUE OF FACT AS TO WHETHER THESE PRODUCTS ARE GOING TO BE COMPETITIVE IN VIOLATIVE OF THE PRODUCTS -- THE LIMITATIONS THAT ARE SET FORTH IN THE NON-COMPETE AGREEMENT SHOULD THE COURT DETERMINE THAT IT CAN DO SOMETHING WITH THE NON-COMPETE. AGAIN, WE DON'T THINK THE COURT CAN, BUT --

THE COURT: AND A QUESTION ABOUT THAT, AND MAYBE IT'S

MORE OF A QUESTION FOR MR. TORNQUIST, BUT IS THERE -- WHEN WE GO

BACK TO THIS COLLAGEN-BASED ISSUE AND WHETHER OR NOT THE

AGREEMENT IS TOO BROAD IN TERMS OF THE INCLUSION OF THAT TERM,

IS THERE A COLLAGEN -- I KNOW COLLAGEN IS KIND OF, LIKE, IN

EVERY LIVING THING. IS THERE AN EXAMPLE OF A PRODUCT THAT YOU

WILL BE SELLING THAT CONTAINS COLLAGEN THAT COULDN'T COMPETE

WITH ANY OF THE PRODUCTS THAT THE MIMEDX SOLD THAT'S TOTALLY

1 OUTSIDE THAT -- I KNOW THAT THERE'S SOME THAT YOU DON'T PLAN ON

- 2 | MARKETING IN THAT SPACE, BUT IS THERE A COLLAGEN-BASED PRODUCT
- 3 | THAT DOESN'T AT ALL POTENTIALLY CONFLICT WITH ONE OF THOSE
- 4 MIMEDX PRODUCTS? DOES THAT MAKE SENSE?
- 5 MR. TORNQUIST: YEAH, I GUESS IN A WAY. THEY ARE
- 6 | WORKING ON TRYING TO MAKE A -- LIKE, A CREAM OR A GEL THAT THEY
- 7 WANT TO COME OUT WITH WHERE IT WOULD HAVE -- AGAIN, IT WOULD BE
- 8 FROM THE UMBILICAL CORD, BUT IT'S IN A CREAM AND GEL FORM. AND
- 9 THAT WOULD BE FOR, LIKE, PSORIASIS AND FOR DIFFERENT SKIN
- 10 ISSUES, BUT NOT FOR WOUNDS. SO THAT'S -- I MEAN, IT WOULD BE
- 11 WOMEN COULD PUT ON THEIR -- OR MEN COULD PUT ON THEIR FACES, YOU
- 12 KNOW, FOR AESTHETIC, THINGS LIKE THAT. AND THAT WOULDN'T BE A
- 13 WOUND CARE PRODUCT WHATSOEVER IN ANY WAY, SHAPE OR FORM.
- 14 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 15 THE WITNESS: THEY JUST DON'T HAVE IT YET.
- 16 THE COURT: OKAY. THANK YOU.
- MR. ROBERTS: SO, AGAIN, YOUR HONOR, I THINK THAT ALL
- 18 THE -- MY CLIENT HAS TESTIFIED THAT HE HASN'T SOLICITED
- 19 ANYTHING. I THINK THERE'S A BIG ISSUE WITH IRREPARABLE HARM. I
- 20 THINK THERE'S A BIG ISSUE WITH THEIR ABILITY TO PROVE A
- 21 SUBSTANTIAL LIKELIHOOD. I THINK THIS IS GOING TO REQUIRE, YOUR
- 22 HONOR, SOME EXPERT TESTIMONY. IT'S NOT LIKE HE'S SELLING CARS
- 23 FOR ONE COMPANY AND SELLING CARS FOR ANOTHER. THESE ARE
- 24 DIFFERENT PRODUCTS, AS WE'VE TALKED ABOUT, SO I THINK IT'S VERY
- 25 IMPORTANT THAT, YOU KNOW, THAT THERE BE ALLOWED SOME TESTIMONY

1 TO BE PRESENTED IN FRONT OF THE COURT. IN ADDITION TO ALL THESE

- 2 OTHER ISSUES THAT I'VE RAISED, WHICH, AGAIN, YOUR HONOR, I
- 3 | THINK -- I THINK IT'S VERY CLEAR AND INSTRUCTIVE FROM THESE
- 4 CASES THAT THERE'S A BIG PROBLEM NOT ONLY WITH THE LANGUAGE OF
- 5 THE NON-COMPETE AGREEMENT, BUT WITH THE IMPLICATIONS, ESPECIALLY
- 6 IN A CASE LIKE THIS, OF LETTING THEM DRAFT A COVENANT LIKE THIS
- 7 AND THEN NARROWING IT DOWN.
- 8 SO THE LAST THING I'LL MENTION, YOUR HONOR, JUST KIND OF IN
- 9 | CONSIDERATION OF THE IRREPARABLE HARM AND THE BALANCE OF
- 10 EQUITIES AND THE PUBLIC POLICY AND THE LIKE, THE MACGINNITIE VS.
- 11 HOBBS CASE, VERY SEMINOLE DECISIONS. AND IT TALKS ABOUT THE
- 12 | FACT THAT THE IMPOSITION OF UNENFORCEABLE COVENANTS CAUSES
- 13 | IRREPARABLE HARM IN THE FORM OF LOST OPPORTUNITIES.
- 14 SO IT -- I WOULD ASK THE COURT TO KIND OF LOOK AT -- LOOK
- 15 AT NOW OUR CROSS MOTION IN THIS SITUATION. THE -- I DON'T CARE
- 16 HOW MUCH MONEY MR. TORNOUIST MADE, BUT IF HE'S GOING TO LOSE
- 17 OPPORTUNITIES AND CUSTOMERS AND THINGS LIKE THAT, THAT IS AN
- 18 IRREPARABLE HARM THAT HE WOULD SUFFER IF THIS UNENFORCEABLE
- 19 NON-COMPETE PROVISION WAS SOMEHOW ENFORCED BY INJUNCTIVE RELIEF
- 20 AGAINST HIM.
- 21 THE COURT IN MACGINNITIE, YOU ALSO HAD THAT THE HARM TO
- 22 EMPLOYEE IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES IS FROM LAWFUL COMPETITION WHICH
- 23 IS PART AND PARCEL OF A -- OF A COMPETITIVE ECONOMY. LOSS OF
- 24 BUSINESS DUE TO FREE AND FAIR COMPETITION IS -- NO HARM. AND
- 25 THE COURTS -- THIS COURT AND MANY OTHER GEORGIA STATE COURTS

1 HAVE NOT HESITATED IN THE PAST TO GRANT INJUNCTIVE RELIEF TO AN

- 2 | EMPLOYEE TO PREVENT ACTION ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF UNENFORCEABLE
- 3 RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS OF THIS NATURE, YOUR HONOR. SO JUST IN
- 4 CONCLUSION OF THAT ARGUMENT, YOUR HONOR, I KNOW YOU WANT TO MOVE
- 5 ON --
- 6 THE COURT: WELL, AND LET ME TELL YOU TOO,
- 7 MR. ROBERTS, IS THAT I HAVE READ AND WILL READ AND LOOK AT ALL
- 8 THESE CASES IN THE BRIEFS. SO SOME OF THIS IS NOT THAT I'M NOT
- 9 GOING TO LISTEN AND GO BACK OVER IT. IT'S JUST THAT WHEN I DO
- 10 | THAT, I ALWAYS HAVE MORE QUESTIONS IN CERTAIN AREAS THAN OTHERS.
- 11 | SO IT'S NOT THAT I'M NOT INTERESTED IN HEARING ABOUT THAT. IT'S
- 12 JUST CERTAIN AREAS IN THE BRIEFS AND THE LAW, I CAN GO BACK AND
- 13 READ THAT AND I'M VERY COMFORTABLE. IT'S JUST THESE FACTUAL
- 14 ISSUES THAT TO SOME EXTENT WERE MUCH MORE CONFUSING TO ME AND
- 15 WHAT THESE PRODUCTS DID AND WHAT HE WAS GOING TO DO IN HIS JOB.
- 16 MR. ROBERTS: RIGHT.
- 17 THE COURT: SO IT'S NOT THAT I'M NOT INTERESTED IN THE
- 18 ARGUMENTS. IT'S JUST IN TERMS OF OUR TIME IN THE HEARING, THAT
- 19 WAS THE STUFF THAT I COULD NOT GET FROM WHAT I HAD IN FRONT OF
- 20 ME AND I WAS EXTREMELY CONFUSED ABOUT. SO IT'S MORE JUST TRYING
- 21 TO FOCUS THE TIME ON THE STUFF THAT I REALLY NEED YOUR HELP
- 22 ON --
- MR. ROBERTS: SURE.
- 24 THE COURT: -- AND LESS THAT I'M NOT INTERESTED IN
- 25 THOSE UNDERLYING ISSUES --

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1 MR. ROBERTS: SURE.
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2 THE COURT: -- BECAUSE I AM. BUT I CAN GO BACK AND

- 3 READ ALL THE CASES.
- 4 MR. ROBERTS: OKAY. AND I UNDERSTAND, YOUR HONOR.
- 5 AND I -- YOU KNOW, I -- I DIDN'T ADDRESS THE CONSTITUTIONAL
- 6 ARGUMENT. I THINK WE'VE PROBABLY PRESERVED THAT ISSUE.
- 7 THE COURT: AND YOU'VE DONE A LOT IN YOUR BRIEFING IN
- 8 THAT.
- 9 MR. ROBERTS: OKAY. I KNOW WE DID A LOT ON IT, BUT,
- 10 AGAIN, I -- I WOULD -- I WOULD RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE COURT TO
- 11 REALLY TAKE A LOOK AT THIS -- THIS ISSUE OF OVERBREADTH, THE
- 12 REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATUTE THAT THERE BE THIS GOOD FAITH
- 13 ESTIMATE, THE FACT THAT THERE WAS CLEAR OVER-REACHING HERE, THE
- 14 | FACT THAT I AM OBVIOUSLY VERY -- TRYING TO RESPECTFULLY --
- 15 ADAMANT ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE COURT CAN'T DO WHAT THE COURT
- 16 SUGGESTED EARLIER IT THOUGHT IT COULD, THAT IS, TAKE THIS
- 17 TERRITORY AND WHITTLE IT DOWN TO MINNESOTA. I WOULD ASK THE
- 18 COURT TO CONSIDER THE IMPLICATIONS OF THAT, WHAT WOULD THAT
- 19 MEAN, YOU KNOW, WHAT WOULD -- WHAT WOULD BE THE IMPACT OF A
- 20 DECISION LIKE THIS. GEORGIA IS -- I MAKE A LIVING -- YOU KNOW,
- 21 I TELL LAWYERS FROM OTHER STATES THAT THIS IS ALL I DO, IS
- 22 NON-COMPETE WORK. AND THEY SAY, WELL, THERE'S ENOUGH, YOU KNOW,
- 23 CASES LIKE THAT, AND THERE IS. BUT THIS IS A -- THIS IS A VERY
- 24 LITIGIOUS STATE AS IT RELATES TO NON-COMPETE AGREEMENTS. WE'VE
- 25 GOT PLENTY OF THEM. AND PUTTING THE BURDEN ON AN EMPLOYEE BY

1 ALLOWING COMPANIES TO COME IN WITH A GUY THAT LIVES IN MINNESOTA

- 2 AND ALLOWING COMPANIES TO COME IN AND DRAFT AN AGREEMENT UNDER
- 3 GEORGIA LAW THAT SAYS HE CAN'T WORK IN (VERBATIM) ANYWHERE IN
- 4 THE COUNTRY AND THEN SUING HIM IN A GEORGIA COURT AND MAKING HIM
- 5 COME DOWN FROM MINNESOTA WHEN YOU HAVE A NON-COMPETE THAT SAYS
- 6 THE ENTIRE COUNTRY, AND THEN FORCING HIM TO TRY TO CONVINCE THE
- 7 COURT THAT THAT'S OVERBROAD, I JUST THINK THAT'S A REAL PROBLEM,
- 8 YOUR HONOR. SO THIS COURT HAS WHAT I BELIEVE FIRST AND FOREMOST
- 9 THE OBLIGATION RESPECTFULLY UNDER THE STATUTE THAT THIS THING
- 10 CAN'T BE FIXED. IT JUST --
- 11 THE COURT: I GET YOUR POINT.
- 12 MR. ROBERTS: AND THEN, SECONDLY, YOUR HONOR, EVEN IF
- 13 THE COURT BELIEVES THAT IT COULD, I WOULD ASK THE COURT TO
- 14 EXERCISE ITS DISCRETION NOT TO DO THAT.
- 15 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 16 MR. ROBERTS: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.
- 17 THE COURT: THANK YOU. AND JUST ONE QUESTION BEFORE I
- 18 INTERRUPT YOU IN YOUR ARGUMENT. ARE YOU DISAGREEING WITH
- 19 MR. TORNQUIST IN THAT HE SAID THAT HE ONLY SOLD MIMEDX PRODUCTS
- 20 THAT HAD TO DO WITH WOUND CARE?
- MR. WARGO: WE ARE NOT DISAGREEING WITH THAT.
- THE COURT: OKAY. THANK YOU.
- MR. WARGO: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. I WILL NOT ASK FOR
- 24 | EQUAL TIME.
- THE COURT: OKAY. THAT'S FINE.

1 MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, I'LL KEEP IT BRIEF. I DO WANT

- 2 | TO -- I'M NOT GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE ARGUMENT THAT WE JUST
- 3 | HEARD A LOT ABOUT, ONLY TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL CITE.
- 4 13-8-54(B) ALSO PROVIDES THE COURT AUTHORITY TO -- EXCUSE ME,
- 5 YOUR HONOR -- TO MODIFY. AND I'M NOT GOING TO REALLY TALK MUCH
- 6 | ABOUT THAT. YOUR HONOR, I THINK THAT YOU'RE ON TO THE RIGHT
- 7 ANSWER THERE. AND I'M GOING TO PROCEED WITH WHAT YOU'VE
- 8 INDICATED IS YOUR CONCERN, THE SCOPE OF RESPECTFULLY ANY
- 9 INJUNCTION THAT MAY ISSUE. YOUR HONOR, WE THINK THAT'S AN EASY
- 10 ANSWER HERE BECAUSE --
- 11 THE COURT: AND I WILL TELL YOU THAT I HAVE NOT IN ANY
- 12 TERMS DETERMINED THAT THERE WILL BE AN INJUNCTION, BUT, YES,
- 13 | THAT'S SOMETHING TO ADDRESS.
- 14 MR. WARGO: I UNDERSTAND. YOU'VE BEEN VERY CLEAR
- 15 ABOUT THIS -- THAT THAT IS AN ISSUE THAT YOU HAVE --
- 16 THE COURT: RIGHT.
- 17 MR. WARGO: -- AS OPPOSED TO PERHAPS SOME OF THE OTHER
- 18 I ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN BRIEFED. I DIDN'T MEAN IN ANY WAY TO
- 19 SUGGEST YOU'VE MADE THE DETERMINATION. YOUR HONOR, THE
- 20 NON-COMPETITION AGREEMENT SETS FORTH WHAT THE SCOPE HERE WOULD
- 21 BE. I'M NOT GOING TO READ IT AGAIN BECAUSE IT'S ALREADY IN THE
- 22 BRIEFS, BUT IT'S VERY CLEAR WHAT THAT SCOPE IS. AND WE HAVE
- 23 PROVIDED SWORN EVIDENCE FROM A PH.D AND ALSO FROM ANOTHER
- 24 EMPLOYEE OF OURS SWEARING TO YOU THAT PRODUCTS THAT PREDICTIVE
- 25 TECHNOLOGIES OFFERS FOR SALE ARE COMPETITIVE. WHAT WE HAVE

1 | HEARD IN RESPONSE RESPECTFULLY TO MR. TORNQUIST IS, I'M NOT

- 2 | SURE, I DON'T KNOW, I CAN'T QUARREL WITH MR. KOOB BECAUSE I'M
- 3 NOT AS ADVANCED IN THE PH.D ANALYSIS AS HE IS.
- 4 YOUR HONOR, THAT'S NOT EVIDENCE. WHAT I HOPE I PROVED IN
- 5 | MY CROSS-EXAMINATION WAS THAT WHAT MR. TORNQUIST HAS DONE, HAS
- 6 TRIED TO MAKE DISTINCTIONS WITH NO DIFFERENCE. WHEN YOU GO BACK
- 7 AND LOOK AT HIS TESTIMONY, YOU WILL SEE THAT EVERY SINGLE WAY HE
- 8 TRIED TO DISTINGUISH THE PRODUCTS HE WANTS TO SELL FROM THE
- 9 PRODUCTS THAT HE HAS SOLD AND ARE THE SUBJECT TO OUR
- 10 NON-COMPETITION AGREEMENT, THEY ARE DISTINCTIONS WITH NO
- 11 DIFFERENCE.
- 12 THE COURT: WELL, AND I THINK IT'S NOT ENTIRELY THE
- 13 ENTIRETY OF HIS TESTIMONY BECAUSE I THINK IF YOU LOOK AT THE
- 14 NON-SOLICITATION, IT SAYS THAT IT CAN ONLY BE ENFORCED SO AS TO
- 15 PREVENT UNFAIR COMPETITION. AND WHAT I HEAR FROM MR. TORNOUIST
- 16 IS THAT MAYBE HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND THE ENTIRETY OF THIS PRODUCT
- 17 LINE IN SOME RESPECTS, BUT HE DOES KNOW WHAT HE WILL DO AND WHAT
- 18 HE IS GOING TO MARKET, PERSONALLY MARKET THE PRODUCTS FOR. AND
- 19 IF HE IS PERSONALLY NOT MARKETING ANY OF THESE PRODUCTS FOR
- 20 WOUND CARE, THEN WHY IS THERE GOING TO BE UNFAIR COMPETITION IF
- 21 HE KNOWS WHAT HE IS GOING TO DO?
- 22 MS. MCGINNIS: SURE. THE ANSWER TO THAT IS BECAUSE
- 23 THE INJUNCTION WE SEEK IS BASED IN THE CONTRACT. OKAY. IT'S
- 24 | NOT BASED IN WHAT HE THINKS HE'S GOING TO DO.
- 25 THE COURT: RIGHT. BUT THERE CAN ONLY BE HARM IF HE

1 IS IN FACT GOING TO DO THIS.

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2 MR. WARGO: NO QUESTION, YOUR HONOR, AND THAT'S WHY 3 THE INJUNCTION WE SEEK MERELY SAYS, FOLLOW THE RESTRICTIVE 4 COVENANT. IF HE GOES OUT AND SELLS TWINKIES, WE DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT. IF HE SELLS TWINKIES -- THAT'S AN OLD ONE, I GUESS -- TO DOCTORS AT HOSPITALS WHERE HE WAS BEFORE, THAT'S NOT A PROBLEM. OKAY. BUT TO THE EXTENT THAT HE SELLS FOR LAY 8 PEOPLE LIKE YOU AND I STUFF AS DESCRIBED IN THE NON-COMPETE, THAT'S A PROBLEM. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE THERE, YOUR HONOR, 10 LOOKING OVER HIS SHOULDER EVERY TIME HE'S SELLING A TWINKIE 11 VERSUS A NON-TWINKIE. SO MY POINT IS HE HAS NOT MADE ANY KIND 12 OF DISTINCTION BETWEEN WHAT HE'S HOPING TO SELL, AS HE PUT 13 CRYSTAL CLEAR, YOUR HONOR, HIS TESTIMONY -- THE TRANSCRIPT WILL 14 SHOW THIS -- HE IS HOPING TO CALL ON OUR CUSTOMERS. THAT'S WHAT 15 HE SAID. HE'S NOT SELLING THEM TWINKIES, YOUR HONOR. 16 ARE TRYING TO PREVENT, AND WE BELIEVE RESPECTFULLY, YOUR HONOR, 17 WE ARE ENTITLED TO, IS AN INJUNCTION SAYING, YOU CAN'T SELL THE

THE COURT: BUT I THINK THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH THAT DEFINITION BEING POTENTIALLY -- OR IT'S CERTAINLY NOT PROVED THAT THAT DEFINITION IS NOT OVERLY BROAD BECAUSE IT DOES ENCOMPASS AREAS IN WHICH HE DID NOT ON WORK. AND I GUESS GETTING BACK TO KIND OF THE POINT, DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH HIM SELLING THESE COMPETITOR PRODUCTS FOR USES THAT YOUR PRODUCTS JUST DON'T DO?

STUFF THAT IS SET FORTH IN THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT.

MR. WARGO: YES, YOUR HONOR. 1 2 THE COURT: AND WHY IS THAT GOING TO HARM YOU? 3 MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, IT'S GOING TO HARM US BECAUSE 4 IT'S SET FORTH IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF MR. LILLY. THESE PRODUCTS 5 ARE DIRECTLY COMPETITIVE WITH OURS. IT DOESN'T MATTER -- I 6 MEAN, YOU HEARD THE TESTIMONY. THEY DON'T DO WOUND CARE. WELL, YOU'LL SEE WHEN YOU GET BACK TO A COMPUTER, THEIR PRODUCT SAYS 8 IT'S -- COULD BE USED FOR WOUND CARE. AND WHEN PRESSED, THE 9 RESPONSE IS, WELL, MAYBE POSSIBLY. OKAY. SO THAT'S WHY YOUR 10 HONOR'S ORDER HAS TO BE CLEAR. IT HAS TO BE BASED IN THE ONLY 11 THING WE HAVE HERE, WHICH IS THE CONTRACT. NOW, IF SUBSEQUENT 12 DISCOVERY DETERMINES THAT HE TOOK A RISK AND HE STARTED SELLING 13 PRODUCTS TO CERTAIN OF OUR CUSTOMERS, THEN WE HAVE A PROBLEM 14 WITH THE ORDER. MY POINT TO YOU IS WE HAVE TO DRAW BRIGHT LINES 15 WHERE DO YOU FIND THOSE BRIGHT LINES? YOU FIND THOSE HERE. 16 BRIGHT LINES IN EVIDENCE. WHAT EVIDENCE DO YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU? 17 THE EVIDENCE YOU HAVE, YOUR HONOR, BEFORE YOU RESPECTFULLY IS 18 THE EVIDENCE OF MR. LILLY WHICH IS UNCONTROVERTED. HE TRIED TO 19 CONTROVERT MR. LILLY'S EVIDENCE BY SAYING, WELL, IT'S FROZEN, 20 IT'S PACKAGED DIFFERENTLY, IT'S USED WITH WOMEN. YOUR HONOR, 21 NONE OF THAT IS A DISTINCTION WITH A DIFFERENCE. THE ONLY THING 22 THAT MATTERS IS WHAT THE COVENANT SAYS. THE COVENANT SAYS YOU 23 CAN'T DO THIS. 24 NOW, IF HE GOES OFF AND DOES IT, WE'RE BACK HERE AGAIN. 25 BUT WHEN YOU TRY TO DRAW LINES AND DISTINCTIONS THAT EVEN HE

1 | COULDN'T TESTIFY TO, THAT'S WHERE YOUR HONOR'S GOING DOWN A

- 2 | SLIPPERY SLOPE.
- THE COURT: BUT I THINK IT'S YOU THAT WANTS ME TO
- 4 | REALLY DO THIS. BECAUSE IF I WERE TO INSIST ON THE LANGUAGE AS
- 5 WRITTEN IN THE CONTRACT, THEN I THINK YOU LOSE BECAUSE I DO
- 6 THINK IT IS OVERBROAD AND DOES ENCOMPASS -- I THINK THIS
- 7 COLLAGEN BASED IS POTENTIALLY A PROBLEM FOR YOU IN THAT I DON'T
- 8 KNOW THAT YOU REALLY CAN RESTRICT HIM FROM SELLING ANYTHING THAT
- 9 HAS ANY KIND OF BIOLOGIC COMPONENT, OR DO YOU THINK THAT YOU
- 10 CAN?
- 11 MR. WARGO: WELL, YOUR HONOR, I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU'RE
- 12 SAYING, BUT LET'S DEAL WITH THE FACTS AT HAND. THE FACTS AT
- 13 HAND ARE NOT HYPOTHETICALS. THEY'RE SET FORTH IN MR. LILLY'S
- 14 AFFIDAVIT AND THEY ARE UNCONTROVERTED TO THIS MOMENT EVEN AFTER
- 15 HIS TESTIMONY. THE ONLY THING YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU AS A MATTER
- 16 OF EVIDENCE IS THAT THIS PRODUCT OF PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES
- 17 COMPETES WITH OUR PRODUCT.
- 18 THE COURT: BUT BACK TO THE COLLAGEN BASED, IS IT YOUR
- 19 OPINION, I MEAN, YOUR POSITION THAT HE SHOULD BE PREVENTED FROM
- 20 | SELLING ANYTHING THAT HAS ANY COLLAGEN IN IT?
- 21 MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, THE ANSWER FOR THAT IS
- 22 RIGHT -- THE ANSWER TO THAT IS, I WANT TO FOLLOW THE COVENANT.
- THE COURT: SO, YES.
- 24 MR. WARGO: THE ANSWER IS, YES, BUT YOU KNOW WHAT, YOU
- 25 DON'T HAVE TO GO THERE.

THE COURT: I KNOW. BUT IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE ASKING ME

- 2 TO DO?
- MR. WARGO: YES, YOUR HONOR.
- 4 THE COURT: ARE YOU SAYING THAT THAT IS THE WAY THIS
- 5 SHOULD BE READ?
- 6 MR. WARGO: OUR ORDER, OUR REQUESTED ORDER IS LIFT THE
- 7 | LANGUAGE FROM HIS CONTRACT THAT HE AGREED TO. THAT IS THE
- 8 COVENANT. NOW, IF YOU WANT TO MAKE THAT MORE NARROW, YOU CAN'T
- 9 | SELL THE PRODUCT THAT'S SOLD BY PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES. WHY?
- 10 TO THIS MOMENT, YOUR HONOR, IT IS UNCONTROVERTED THAT THAT
- 11 PRODUCT COMPETES WITH OUR PRODUCT. THAT'S WHY HE'S GOING THERE.
- 12 | HE'S NOT GOING TO A JANITORIAL SERVICE. HE'S GOING TO A COMPANY
- 13 TO COMPETE AGAINST US, AS HE SAID UNDER OATH, I'M HOPING TO CALL
- 14 ON THESE DOCTORS WHO I'VE BEEN INTRODUCED TO BY MIMEDX. AND,
- 15 YOUR HONOR, ONE OF THE CORE THINGS HERE, AND I'M GOING TO GET TO
- 16 THAT -- TO A MOMENT, HE CALLS THOSE HIS CUSTOMERS. THAT'S
- 17 REALLY THE CORE OF THE PROBLEM HERE. THEY'RE OUR CUSTOMERS. SO
- 18 HE ADMITTED TO YOU, YOUR HONOR, HIS BAD CONDUCT. YOU WANT
- 19 IRREPARABLE HARM? YOU WANT THE BULLDOZER ABOUT TO KNOCK OVER
- 20 THE TREE? HE GAVE IT TO US. HE SAID FROM THE STAND, AND I
- 21 BELIEVE IT'S A QUOTE, I AM HOPING TO CALL ON MY FORMER, MY
- 22 FORMER CUSTOMERS.
- THE COURT: BUT YOU'VE SAID THAT HE CAN DO THAT AS
- 24 LONG AS HE DOESN'T SELL THEM A COMPETITOR PRODUCT.
- 25 MR. WARGO: THAT'S RIGHT, YOUR HONOR. WE HAVE A

1 COUPLE OF STEPS HERE.

THE COURT: SO THAT'S NOT A PROBLEM.

3 MR. WARGO: OH, IT IS A PROBLEM IF THAT'S STEP ONE.

4 | STEP TWO, ARE YOU SELLING THEM TWINKIES, OR ARE YOU SELLING THEM

STUFF THAT YOU SAID YOU WOULDN'T? SO WE HAVE -- WE HAVE A

6 | COUPLE DIFFERENT STEPS HERE.

7 THE COURT: RIGHT. I MEAN, THE FACT THAT HE'S
8 SELLING -- I MEAN, YOU SEEM TO BE SAYING THAT HE CAN'T SELL

9 ANYTHING TO THE V.A.

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10 MR. WARGO: NO, NO, NO. HE CAN SELL TWINKIES.

11 THE COURT: RIGHT.

12 MR. WARGO: AND WHAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED BECAUSE ONLY

13 YESTERDAY WE HEARD ABOUT PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES. WE'VE

14 | IDENTIFIED FROM THEIR WEBSITE PRODUCTS, AND WE HAVE TWO

15 AFFIDAVITS IN LESS THAN 24 HOURS THAT CLEARLY STATE THESE ARE

16 COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS UNDER THE COVENANT HE AGREED TO.

17 THE COURT: SO I THINK THAT THE RUB WE HAVE IS THAT --

I UNDERSTAND YOUR POSITION THAT THEY'RE COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS,

19 AND BUT THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS. THEY CAN BE

20 USED FOR DIFFERENT THINGS. AND SO HE HAS PROVIDED TESTIMONY

21 THAT HE WILL NOT BE SELLING THEM FOR THE SAME THINGS THAT HE

22 WORKED WITH HIS -- THAT'S THE POINT THAT I REALLY THINK YOU NEED

23 TO ADDRESS. BECAUSE THEY ARE COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS, BUT HE IS

24 NOT GOING TO BE SELLING THEM IN THE SAME SPACE, WAS THE

25 | TESTIMONY I HEARD HIM SAY.

1 MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, RESPECTFULLY I DID NOT HEAR

- 2 | HIM SAY THAT.
- THE COURT: WELL, LET'S GO WITH THE IDEA THAT HE DID
- 4 SAY THAT.
- 5 MR. WARGO: WHAT I DID HEAR IS A DISTINCTION, WAS
- 6 WOUND CARE. IN FACT WHEN HE CAME UP HERE AND STATED, I ASSUME
- 7 | STILL UNDER OATH FROM HERE, THAT -- YOU ASKED HIM THE QUESTION,
- 8 RIGHT, ABOUT WHAT PRODUCTS ARE NOT COLLAGEN PRODUCTS.
- 9 THE COURT: RIGHT. BUT I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THE
- 10 COLLAGEN. I'M TALKING ABOUT THE SPACE.
- 11 MR. WARGO: THE USE.
- 12 THE COURT: YES.
- MR. WARGO: YES, YOUR HONOR. THE TESTIMONY WILL BE
- 14 REFLECTED IN THE RECORD. HE TALKED ABOUT, WELL, WOUND PRODUCTS.
- 15 HE TALKED ABOUT THAT THEY WERE -- HE WAS GOING TO BE -- HE HAD
- 16 BEEN SELLING WOUND PRODUCTS, HEALING PRODUCTS, THAT'S WHAT WE
- 17 SELL, AND THAT THESE PRODUCTS CAN BE USED FOR WOUNDS.
- 18 THE COURT: BUT HE WILL NOT BE SELLING THEM FOR THAT
- 19 PURPOSE.
- 20 MR. WARGO: AND ARE YOU GOING TO BE STANDING THERE
- 21 WHEN HE'S TALKING TO THE SAME DOCTORS WHO ARE OUR CUSTOMERS
- 22 | SELLING ALL OF THAT MATERIAL? THIS IS WHY IT'S A
- 23 STRAIGHTFORWARD INJUNCTION. DON'T SELL STUFF THAT IS
- 24 COMPETITIVE AS YOU AGREE TO UNDER YOUR COVENANT. AND WHAT WE
- 25 HAVE HERE, YOUR HONOR -- LET ME TAKE A STEP BACK HERE. THIS

1 ISN'T SOAPBOX STUFF. THIS IS REAL LIFE. WE REPRESENT A PUBLIC

- 2 COMPANY WITH THOUSANDS OF SHAREHOLDERS. I'M GOING TO TAKE ISSUE
- 3 RESPECTFULLY, YOUR HONOR, WITH SOMETHING YOU SAID EARLIER, THE
- 4 PAST PALINGEN SALES. YOUR HONOR, THAT'S A REALLY BIG FACT IN
- 5 | THIS CASE EVEN THOUGH IT'S IN THE PAST. WE HAVE A GENTLEMAN
- 6 | HERE WHO IS A DEFENDANT WHO YOU ARE TRYING TO LOOK AT, WELL,
- 7 | MAYBE HE'S GOING TO DO THIS, MAYBE HE'S GOING TO DO THAT. THIS
- 8 PERSON, WHILE EMPLOYED BY US, WHILE MAKING ADMITTEDLY A
- 9 | SIGNIFICANT SUM OF MONEY, SOLD COMPETITIVE PRODUCT. HE WAS
- 10 EMPLOYED BY US. WE PAID HIM A SALARY. WE PAID HIM A
- 11 COMMISSION. WE TRAINED HIM. WE INTRODUCED HIM TO OUR
- 12 CUSTOMERS, OUR CUSTOMERS.
- 13 YOUR HONOR, IF YOU WORK FOR HERTZ AND SOMEONE CAME TO YOU
- 14 AND SAID, CAN I GET AN AVIS? THAT'S WHAT HE DID. HE SOLD TWO
- 15 PALINGEN PRODUCTS, GOT PAID FOR THOSE IN COMMISSION WHILE HE WAS
- 16 WORKING WITH US. ARE WE NERVOUS THAT HE'S GOING TO CROSS THE
- 17 LINE? YES, YOUR HONOR, WE ARE. WHEN YOU GET PAID BY HERTZ AND
- 18 YOU SELL AVIS, YOU'D BE FIRED. AND THAT'S WHAT HE ADMITS HE DID
- 19 IN AN AFFIDAVIT.
- 20 THE COURT: RIGHT. AND I UNDERSTAND ALL THE ARGUMENTS
- 21 ON THAT.
- 22 MR. WARGO: MY POINT HERE, YOUR HONOR, IRREPARABLE
- 23 HARM. WE REPRESENT A PUBLIC COMPANY. IF YOU START TO PARSE
- 24 THIS THE WAY YOU'RE SUGGESTING, YOU CAN SAY GOOD-BYE TO HOW WE
- 25 ENFORCE COVENANTS WITH OUR SALES PEOPLE BECAUSE THEN EVERYONE'S

1 GOING TO BE RUSHING INTO COURT SAYING, I DON'T HAVE TO FOLLOW

- 2 | THE AGREEMENT I SIGNED. I'M GOING TO FIND A JUDGE WHO'S GOING
- 3 TO LISTEN TO A SOB STORY THAT'S GOING TO SAY, OH, THESE PRODUCTS
- 4 ARE A LITTLE DIFFERENT. THERE'S NO EVIDENCE THEY'RE DIFFERENT
- 5 AND THE ONLY EVIDENCE WE HAVE IS THEY'RE COMPETITIVE. BUT I'M
- 6 GOING TO FIND A JUDGE WHO'S GOING TO TAKE PITY ON ME AND IS
- 7 GOING TO START TO MAKE DISTINCTIONS THAT WERE NOT RAISED IN
- 8 | THEIR BRIEF. SO YOU ASKED THE QUESTION, WELL, ISN'T SOME OF
- 9 THIS OVERBROAD? IT AIN'T IN THE BRIEF, YOUR HONOR.
- 10 THE COURT: WELL, I THINK WE'RE ASKING FOR
- 11 EXTRAORDINARY RELIEF AT A T.R.O.
- MR. WARGO: ABSOLUTELY.
- 13 THE COURT: SO THERE IS MORE LEEWAY ABOUT WHAT I ALLOW
- 14 IN A HEARING GIVEN WHAT IT IS YOU'RE ASKING FOR.
- MR. WARGO: NO QUESTION, YOUR HONOR. I WOULD BE
- 16 ASKING THE SAME QUESTION AS YOU. BUT WHEN YOU TURN THAT PAGE,
- 17 WHEN YOU SCRATCH OFF THE SCRATCH THING AND YOU LOOK AT WHAT THE
- 18 | EVIDENCE IS, THEY DIDN'T PROVIDE YOU ANY. IT'S JUST, TRUST ME,
- 19 YOUR HONOR, I'M NOT GOING TO DO WITH THIS CLEARLY COMPETITIVE
- 20 PRODUCT BASED ON TWO AFFIDAVITS AND ON CROSS NO DISTINCTION. HE
- 21 DID NOT UNDERCUT OUR AFFIDAVITS, YOUR HONOR.
- 22 THE COURT: OKAY. I GET YOUR --
- 23 MR. WARGO: YOU FOLLOW WHAT I'M SAYING?
- 24 THE COURT: YES. YOU CAN NOT BE SO ANGRY ABOUT IT.
- 25 MR. WARGO: WELL, I AM EMOTIONAL ABOUT IT, YOUR HONOR,

BECAUSE WE'RE DEALING WITH HERE -- YOU KNOW, THERE'S A LITTLE

SOAPBOX ON BOTH SIDES HERE. OKAY. AND WHAT WE'RE DEALING WITH

HERE IS A COMPANY THAT HAS A LOT OF SALES PEOPLE MAKING A LOT OF

SALES TO OUR CUSTOMERS. AND IF WE START TO MAKE THESE KIND OF

5 DISTINCTIONS, WE'RE TOAST. AND IT IS NOT FAIR TO OUR COMPANY

6 BECAUSE HE AGREED TO THIS COVENANT AND HE'S PROVIDED YOU NO

7 EVIDENCE OF RECORD OTHER THAN SPECULATION ABOUT WHAT I THINK MAY

BE PERCENTAGE-WISE COLLAGEN OR NOT. AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE JUST

9 ASKING YOU TO ENFORCE WHAT HE AGREED TO AND BASED ON THAT THE

10 INVESTMENT THAT OUR COMPANY HAS MADE IN TEACHING AND TRAINING

11 | HIM AND WHAT THE SHAREHOLDERS OF OUR COMPANY EXPECT. THEY

12 EXPECT US TO PRESERVE OUR CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIPS. HOW DO WE DO

13 THAT? WE STOP PEOPLE FROM GOING TO OUR CURRENT CUSTOMERS AND

14 HOPING TO SELL TO THEM AGAIN. THAT -- THIS IS ALL WE HAVE

15 AVAILABLE TO US, COMING TO YOUR HONOR SAYING, MAKE HIM STOP. WE

16 KNOW HE WAS A BAD GUY WHEN HE WORKED FOR US. WE'VE PROVEN THAT

17 TO YOU, HERTZ AND AVIS. WE HAVE IRREPARABLE HARM THAT WE'RE

18 | STARING RIGHT IN THE -- IN OUR EYES -- EYE TO EYE. HE ALREADY

19 TOOK THE JOB.

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20 THE COURT: OKAY. LET'S MOVE ON TO YOUR NEXT POINT.

21 I GET THAT POINT.

22 MR. WARGO: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. SO I DID MAKE THE

23 POINT THAT THIS IS WHAT -- THE DISTINCTIONS HE TRIED TO MAKE UP

24 THERE WERE WITHOUT A DIFFERENCE WITH REGARD TO THE ACTUAL

25 COVENANT AT ISSUE. AND THAT'S WHY BASED ON THE UNDISPUTED

1 TESTIMONY WE ASK THAT YOU ENFORCE THAT ENTIRELY.

2 YOUR HONOR, THE LAST POINT IS YOU MADE A COMMENT, AND I --

3 | MAYBE I MISHEARD IT, SOMETHING ABOUT, YOU KNOW, EVIDENCE OF HARM

4 FROM OUR TRADE SECRET USE. RESPECTFULLY, YOUR HONOR --

THE COURT: NO. I'M TALKING ABOUT IRREPARABLE HARM IN

6 THE RECORD FOR AN INJUNCTION.

7 MR. WARGO: YES, AND WE HAVE THAT. WE HAVE THAT IN

8 AFFIDAVIT FORM. IN THE LILLY AFFIDAVIT HE SAYS WITH THAT

INFORMATION THAT MR. TORNQUIST HAS, HE CAN USE THAT TRADE SECRET

10 INFORMATION. AND I WANT TO BE CLEAR THEY'VE NEVER DISPUTED

11 THESE ARE TRADE SECRETS, THAT THEY PROVIDE VALUE TO US, THAT

12 WE'VE PRESERVED THEM CORRECTLY. SO THAT'S ALL -- WE'VE PROVEN

13 THAT. OKAY. SO --

14 THE COURT: HOW IS HE INTENDING -- I'VE SEEN NOTHING

15 EXCEPT FOR IN TERMS OF HIS USE OF TRADE SECRETS HIM SAYING THAT

16 HE'S NOT GOING TO DO IT. SO I DON'T SEE THAT THERE'S ANY ISSUE

17 HERE ABOUT HIS INTENT IN THE FUTURE TO USE YOUR COMPANY'S TRADE

18 SECRETS.

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19 MR. WARGO: YES, YOUR HONOR, AND THERE IS THAT IN THE

20 RECORD. OKAY. BUT WHAT WE HAVE HERE IS UNDISPUTED. HE HAS

21 EVIDENCE OF OUR SALES, OF OUR DATA. HE ALSO KNOWS THE HISTORY

22 FROM RECORDS THAT WE'VE PROVIDED, FROM TRAINING WE'VE PROVIDED,

23 FROM US PUTTING HIM INTO THE POSITION OF SELLING INTO THESE

24 HOSPITALS. HE KNOWS HOW MUCH PRODUCT THEY WANT, HOW MUCH THEY

25 NEED, HOW MUCH THEY USE. THESE COME IN SIZES. THERE'S SMALL,

1 BIG, LARGE, EXTRA LARGE. WHAT KIND OF PRODUCT? IS IT THE

- 2 INJECTABLE? IS IT THE NON-INJECTABLE?
- 3 THE COURT: BUT HE DOESN'T HAVE ACCESS TO ANYTHING
- 4 ANYMORE EXCEPT FOR WHAT'S IN HIS HEAD; CORRECT?
- 5 MR. WARGO: THAT WHICH IS PROTECTABLE.
- 6 THE COURT: RIGHT. BUT I'M --
- 7 MR. WARGO: AND THE DOCUMENTS.
- 8 THE COURT: HE DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS, CORRECT, TO ANY
- 9 TRADE SECRETS ANY LONGER OTHER THAN WHAT IS IN HIS HEAD?
- 10 MR. WARGO: NO, YOUR HONOR. HE HAS MORE. HE HAS
- 11 ACCESS TO -- HE TOLD YOU UNDER OATH THAT HE PULLED UP STUFF --
- 12 THE COURT: RIGHT, BUT HE SAID HE WOULD GIVE IT BACK
- 13 TO YOU IN HIS AFFIDAVIT.
- 14 MR. WARGO: OKAY. WELL, YOU ASKED ME A QUESTION,
- 15 WHETHER HE HAS IT.
- 16 THE COURT: RIGHT, RIGHT.
- MR. WARGO: AND HE DOES.
- 18 THE COURT: OKAY. BUT OTHER THAN THE THINGS THAT HE
- 19 | SAID HE WOULD GIVE BACK TO YOU, WHAT ELSE DOES HE HAVE?
- 20 MR. WARGO: IS THAT A TRICK QUESTION?
- 21 THE COURT: I DON'T KNOW. I MEAN, HE SAID IN HIS
- 22 AFFIDAVIT. I MEAN, HIS AFFIDAVIT SAID THAT HE WILL GIVE BACK.
- 23 I MEAN, IT SAID IN HIS AFFIDAVIT THAT HE'S GOING TO EITHER
- 24 DESTROY IT OR GIVE IT BACK, WHICHEVER ONE YOU WANT HIM TO DO.
- MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, IF HE GIVES THEM BACK, HE

1 DOESN'T HAVE THEM ANYMORE. I AGREE WITH THAT.

2 THE COURT: OKAY.

3 MR. WARGO: BUT RIGHT NOW HE HAS DOCUMENTS, AND WE

4 HAVE PROVEN OUR --

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5 THE COURT: LET ME ASK THE QUESTION. DO YOU WANT THEM

6 BACK OR DO YOU WANT THEM DESTROYED?

7 MR. WARGO: WE WANT THEM BACK.

THE COURT: OKAY. THAT ANSWERS THAT QUESTION.

9 MR. WARGO: OKAY. YOUR HONOR, NOW, GOING TO THE

10 WHAT'S IN HIS HEAD, AND THIS IS THE LAST POINT I'D LIKE TO MAKE,

11 UNLESS YOUR HONOR HAS ANYMORE QUESTIONS FOR ME. YOUR HONOR, WHY

12 THIS IS IMPORTANT IS IF HE DIDN'T -- ON THE TRADE SECRET ISSUE,

13 HE HAS THINGS IN HIS HEAD THAT WE CAN PROTECT. AND WHEN HE

14 WALKS INTO A HOSPITAL AND SEES JOHN SMITH WHO WE INTRODUCED HIM

15 TO AND HE KNOWS DR. JOHN SMITH, OR THE ADMINISTRATOR, IN THAT

16 HOSPITAL TRADITIONALLY HAS USED THIS MANY HUNDREDS IN THIS MONTH

17 OF THIS SIZE OF OUR PRODUCT, HE KNOWS WHAT TO SELL THAT DOCTOR.

18 SO WHAT DOES HE HAVE IN HIS HEAD? INFORMATION. IT IS TRADE

19 SECRET INFORMATION. WE'VE PROVEN THAT AND THEY HAVEN'T DISPUTED

IT. THAT MAKES HIM DIFFERENT FROM AN INDIVIDUAL WALKING OFF THE

21 STREET. AN INDIVIDUAL WALKING OFF THE STREET WITH NO TRADE

22 SECRET INFORMATION DOESN'T KNOW WHO TO TALK TO, WHAT THEIR PAST

23 USE HAS BEEN, HOW BIG THOSE -- THOSE WOUND CARE PATCHES SHOULD

24 BE THAT THEY'VE USED HISTORICALLY, WHAT THEY NEED, WHAT THEIR

25 RATE IS OF CONSUMPTION. THAT'S IN HIS HEAD. HE KNOWS WHO TO

1 TALK TO AND HE KNOWS THAT DR. SMITH LOVES TO USE THE BIGGER

- 2 | PACKAGES INSTEAD OF THE SMALLER PATCHES (VERBATIM). SO HE'S
- 3 GOING TO GO AND TAKE THAT INFORMATION AND SPEAK TO THAT DOCTOR.
- 4 THIS IS WHERE THE RUBBER MEETS THE ROAD. HE'S GOING TO GO TALK
- 5 TO THAT DOCTOR AND SAY, HEY, I'VE GOT A PRODUCT. I'M AT
- 6 | PREDICTIVE TECHNOLOGIES NOW, BUT IT CAN BE USED FOR WOUND CARE.
- 7 THE COURT: BUT THAT SEEMS TO BE THE OTHER ARGUMENT.
- 8 | IF HE GIVES BACK ALL OF THE TRADE SECRETS, HE GIVES BACK
- 9 EVERYTHING HE HAS, HE HAS NO ACCESS TO ANYTHING AND HE'S STILL
- 10 ALLOWED TO CALL ON THE V.A. AND SELL THEM ALL SORTS OF THINGS, I
- 11 MEAN, YOU CAN'T ERASE INFORMATION THAT'S IN HIS HEAD. AND IF
- 12 HE'S SELLING THEM TWINKIES AND HE KNOWS THE GUY LIKES A BIGGER
- 13 PACK OF TWINKIES, THAT DOESN'T CAUSE YOU ANY UNFAIR COMPETITION
- 14 | IF HE IS NOT SELLING IN YOUR SPACE THE TYPES OF THINGS THAT YOU
- 15 SELL. SO THE TRADE SECRETS AS A STAND ALONE DOESN'T MAKE ANY
- 16 SENSE TO ME UNLESS IT'S REALLY JUST PARCEL OF THE OTHER
- 17 ARGUMENT.
- 18 MR. WARGO: THE -- RESPECTFULLY, YOUR HONOR, THE ERROR
- 19 IN YOUR ANALYSIS RIGHT THERE IS THAT HE'S NOT SELLING IN THE
- 20 | SAME SPACE.
- 21 THE COURT: RIGHT. BUT YOU SAID THAT SEPARATE AND
- 22 APART FROM THIS ISSUE THAT HE'S SELLING IN THE SAME SPACE, THAT
- 23 THERE IS A TRADE SECRET ISSUE THAT IS STILL PENDING. AND IF HE
- 24 IS NOT SELLING IN THE SAME SPACE AT ALL, WHAT IS THE TRADE
- 25 SECRET ISSUE THAT'S STILL PENDING?

1 MR. WARGO: I AGREE WITH YOU THAT IF HE'S SELLING

- 2 | TWINKIES TO THESE DOCTORS AND HE'S ONLY SELLING TWINKIES, THE
- 3 TRADE SECRET ISSUE IS NOT IMPACTED.
- 4 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 5 MR. WARGO: BUT HERE THE UNDISPUTED EVIDENCE, YOUR
- 6 HONOR, IS THAT HE'S NOT SELLING TWINKIES.
- 7 THE COURT: OKAY. WELL, THAT MAKES SENSE THEN. BUT I
- 8 THOUGHT YOU HAD A SEPARATE TRADE SECRETS ARGUMENT, AND I THINK
- 9 THAT HAS BEEN DEALT WITH IN THE AFFIDAVIT.
- 10 MR. WARGO: UNDERSTOOD. THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO
- 11 ADDRESS IT.
- 12 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 13 MR. WARGO: I STILL BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE A TRADE
- 14 SECRET ISSUE THAT REMAINS ENTIRELY UNREBUTTED BECAUSE THE
- 15 EVIDENCE OF RECORD THAT IS UNDISPUTED IS THAT THESE ARE
- 16 COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS AND HE'S HOPING TO GO TO THE SAME DOCTORS
- 17 AND SELL COMPETITIVE PRODUCT. THAT'S THE RECORD BEFORE YOU,
- 18 YOUR HONOR.
- 19 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 20 MR. WARGO: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, YOUR HONOR.
- THE COURT: YOU'RE WELCOME.
- 22 MR. ROBERTS: YOUR HONOR, CAN I HAVE 90 SECONDS
- 23 BECAUSE OF A COUPLE OF ISSUES THAT GOT RAISED?
- THE COURT: 90 SECONDS.
- MR. ROBERTS: PARDON ME. FIRST OF ALL, YOUR HONOR,

TWINKIES HAVE COLLAGEN IN IT. WE LOOKED IT UP. TWINKIES HAVE 1 2 COLLAGEN IN THOSE. THERE WAS A MISSTATEMENT SO -- SO I GUESS HE 3 CAN'T SELL TWINKIES. THERE WAS A MISSTATEMENT THAT MR. WARGO 4 SAID THERE WAS NOT ANY -- NO -- NO CONTRIBUTION (VERBATIM) TO 5 THE EVIDENCE REGARDING THE COMPETITION. I -- I HEARD MY CLIENT 6 SIT UP THERE AND TESTIFY THAT HE WAS STRONGLY CONTENDING THAT THESE PRODUCTS WEREN'T COMPETITIVE, SO I DON'T THINK IN ANY 8 MANNER THAT HE CONCEDED THAT POINT. AND WHAT WE HAVE HERE, YOUR 9 HONOR, IS AN ELEVENTH-HOUR AFFIDAVIT FROM A DOCTOR THAT'S 10 OBVIOUSLY NOT HERE TODAY THAT SAYS THESE ARE COMPETITIVE 11 PRODUCTS. SO I THINK THE COURT -- I THINK AT MINIMUM THERE'S A 12 FACTUAL DISPUTE AND AT BEST, YOUR HONOR, THE COURT NEEDS MORE 13 INFORMATION. THEY CAN'T JUST SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT FROM A DOCTOR 14 AND TELL THE COURT TO BELIEVE IT AS GOSPEL. THAT'S -- THAT'S 15 NOT HOW THESE PROCEEDINGS WORK. 16 IN TERMS OF THE ISSUE OF HIM SENDING THESE DOCTORS 17 SOMEWHERE ELSE, YOU KNOW, HERTZ, I GO TO THE AIRPORT ALL THE 18 TIME AND I ASK HERTZ FOR A PARTICULAR CAR AND THEY SAY THEY 19 DON'T HAVE IT, GO SEE AVIS. SO I DIDN'T REALLY UNDERSTAND THAT 2.0 ARGUMENT. SO THEN IN TERMS OF THE -- ASK WHAT -- TO ENFORCE 21 WITH NO EVIDENCE HE'S GOING TO VIOLATE -- THERE'S JUST DISPUTED 2.2 FACTS, YOUR HONOR, THAT PERMEATE THIS CASE. THE -- MR. WARGO --23 LAST THING. MR. WARGO BROUGHT UP THIS TRADE SECRET ACT. 24 WOULD ENCOURAGE THE COURT TO REVIEW THE PUTTERS (PHONETIC)

DECISION. THERE HAS NOT BEEN A SHRED OF EVIDENCE OF ANY USE OF

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1 ANY TRADE SECRETS BY MY CLIENT, AND THAT'S INDICATIVE OF THIS
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OKAY. SO WHAT THE PUTTERS CASE SAYS VERY BRIEFLY, YOUR HONOR, HE HAS THIS INFORMATION BY VIRTUE OF WORKING FOR THE EMPLOYER. HE HAS THIS STUFF THAT YOU JUST TOLD US TO GIVE BACK BY VIRTUE OF WORKING FOR THEM. THAT'S NOT A TRADE SECRET VIOLATION UNDER THE PUTTERS CASE. IT'S ONLY A TRADE SECRET VIOLATION IF HE USES THAT INFORMATION. SO HE'S GOING TO GIVE EVERYTHING HE HAS BACK, BUT THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIAL LIKELIHOOD OF SHOWING -- OF BEING ABLE TO PREVAIL UNDER THE TRADE SECRET VIOLATION BECAUSE THERE'S NOT BEEN ONE SCINTILLA OF EVIDENCE PRESENTED IN COURT TODAY THAT MY CLIENT HAS USED ANYTHING.

AND THEN, LASTLY, MR. WARGO SEEMS TO BE GETTING INTO AN INEVITABLE DISCLOSURE ARGUMENT BASICALLY SAYING THAT ALL THESE THINGS HE HAS IN HIS HEAD ARE PROBLEMATIC. I THINK, AS THE COURT CORRECTLY NOTED, GEORGIA HAS SPECIFICALLY REJECTED THE INEVITABLE DISCLOSURE DOCTRINE AND THE LAW IS BASICALLY THAT WHATEVER YOU HAVE IN YOUR HEAD DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A TRADE SECRET. SO, AGAIN, YOUR HONOR, I WOULD SUGGEST TO THE COURT THAT THE COURT SHOULD RESPECTFULLY DENY PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF. I THINK THERE'S FACTUAL ISSUES ABOUND IN THIS CASE. I THINK THE COURT -- I WOULD AGAIN ASK THE COURT TO REALLY, REALLY TAKE A LOOK AT OUR ARGUMENTS ON THE COVENANT AND NOT CREATE A SITUATION WHERE THEY CAN COME TO THE COURT WITH BAD -- WITH UNCLEAN HANDS, NOT ONLY ON THESE -- ALL THE OTHER

1 STUFF INVOLVING THE WHISTLE-BLOWER CASE, BUT UNCLEAN HANDS IN

- 2 DRAFTING THIS COVENANT SO BROAD AND THEN EXPECT THIS COURT TO
- 3 | SIMPLY WHITTLE IT DOWN TO THE STATE WHERE HE LIVES. THAT WOULD
- 4 | BE AN EXTREMELY BAD PRECEDENT AND I WOULD JUST ASK THE COURT
- 5 RESPECTFULLY NOT TO DO THAT. THANK YOU.
- 6 THE COURT: OKAY.
- 7 MR. WARGO: YOUR HONOR, I'LL GET FIRED IF I DON'T SAY
- 8 THIS BECAUSE THE PRESIDENT ASKED ME TO.
- 9 THE COURT: JUST SAY IT.
- 10 MR. WARGO: I'M JUST GOING TO SAY IT. WE DON'T HAVE
- 11 AN AFFIDAVIT, BUT THIS CAME UP IN TODAY'S TESTIMONY.
- 12 MR. TORNQUIST SAID THAT THEY WERE DOING MORE AESTHETICS WORK
- 13 INSTEAD OF WHAT WE DO. WE ACTUALLY DO AESTHETICS TYPE WORK.
- 14 MR. TORNQUIST DID SELL INJECTIONS THAT WERE FOR AESTHETICS AND
- 15 PAIN MANAGEMENT, AND THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT PREDICTIVE
- 16 | TECHNOLOGIES SAYS ON THEIR WEBSITE THEY DO.
- 17 THE COURT: THANK YOU.
- 18 MR. WARGO: THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO US, YOUR HONOR.
- 19 THE COURT: THANK YOU. AND I'M NOT GOING TO MAKE A
- 20 DECISION FROM THE BENCH. THERE'S A LOT THAT I WANT TO GO BACK
- 21 AND READ AND CASES I WANT TO LOOK AT AND AFFIDAVITS I WANT TO
- 22 STUDY CAREFULLY AND A LOT OF INFORMATION THAT I WANT TO GO
- 23 THROUGH, BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE SOME ISSUES THAT ARE
- 24 GOING ON RIGHT NOW, SO I WILL BE QUICK IN THAT AND GET YOU AN
- 25 ORDER. AND BECAUSE WE HAVE LOTS OF CLIENTS HERE, LET ME SAY AS

WELL, IS THAT, AS YOU KNOW, T.R.O.'S AND PRELIMINARY INJUNCTIONS 1 2 ARE UNUSUAL CREATURES IN THAT THEY HAVE DIFFERENT EVIDENTIARY 3 STANDARDS AND DIFFERENT SNAPSHOTS OF TIME WITH AN INCOMPLETE 4 RECORD JUST BY THE VERY NATURE OF WHAT THEY ARE. SO I FIND 5 SOMETIMES THAT PEOPLE READ TOO MUCH INTO ONE WAY OR THE OTHER IN 6 WHAT A DECISION IS ON A T.R.O. OR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION BECAUSE IT IS SUCH AN UNUSUAL CREATURE OF THE LAW. SO IF YOU WIN OR 8 LOSE DOES NOT MEAN NECESSARILY THAT YOU DO SO AT YOUR PERIL. Ι 9 MEAN, THESE THINGS ARE FLUID AND MORE INFORMATION WILL DEVELOP 10 AS THE CASE GOES IN BOTH RESPECTS. SO FOR THE PERSON THAT MAY 11 POTENTIALLY LOSE THE T.R.O., THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT YOU MAY NOT 12 POSSIBLY BE ON THE HOOK FOR DAMAGES AND OTHER ISSUES AS IT 13 RELATES TO YOUR CONDUCT GOING FORWARD. 14 SO IT'S KIND OF A STRANGE CREATURE OF THE LAW, AND JUST 15 WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT I'M GOING TO DO WHAT I CAN WITH THE 16 FACTORS THAT I HAVE TO LOOK AT AND WHAT GOES FILLED IN TO ALL 17 THOSE BLANKS AND ISSUE A GOOD DECISION. BUT I THINK THAT THERE 18 ARE MANY ISSUES ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS CASE THAT WILL BE HOTLY 19 CONTESTED OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS POTENTIALLY AS THE CASE MOVES

22 DETAIL, BUT I WILL TAKE A SERIOUS LOOK AT THESE ISSUES AND GET

FORWARD. AND SINCE IT APPEARS THAT I DO HAVE THE ENTIRETY OF

THE CASE NOW, THAT WILL BE SOMETHING THAT WE'LL GET INTO IN MORE

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23 YOU AN ORDER, AND WE'LL JUST KIND OF GO FROM THERE. AND I DO

24 SAY THAT I THINK I HAVE EVERYTHING I NEED. AS YOU KNOW, I ASK

25 QUESTIONS. THAT'S JUST MY NATURE. IF I'M GOING THROUGH THIS

1 AND I NEED SOMETHING ELSE FROM YOU, I NEED AN AFFIDAVIT, I NEED

- 2 | SOMETHING TO FILL IN A BLANK, I WILL NOT HESITATE TO E-MAIL YOU
- 3 AND LET YOU KNOW THAT I'M MISSING A PIECE OF INFORMATION. BUT
- 4 THE PURPOSE FOR ME OF A HEARING IS FOR ME TO ASK QUESTIONS. AND
- 5 | THERE'S A LOT THAT I UNDERSTOOD VERY WELL FROM THE BRIEFS, AND A
- 6 LOT OF TIMES IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T APPRECIATE THE ARGUMENT.
- 7 IT'S JUST THAT I REALLY UNDERSTAND THAT FROM WHAT YOU'VE GIVEN
- 8 ME AND I REALLY WANT TO SPEND THE TIME GOING OVER THE
- 9 INFORMATION THAT I DO NOT UNDERSTAND. SO THAT IS SOMETIMES WHY
- 10 IT MAY SEEM THAT I'M DISMISSIVE OF A CERTAIN ARGUMENT. IT'S
- 11 JUST THAT I DON'T NEED TO USE WHAT I THINK OF IS THE VALUABLE
- 12 TIME THAT I HAVE TO GET THE QUESTIONS THAT I REALLY, REALLY FEEL
- 13 LIKE ARE MISSING FROM THE WRITTEN DOCUMENTS ANSWER. SO I WILL
- 14 GO BACK AND LOOK VERY CAREFULLY AT THE INFORMATION.
- MR. ROBERTS: MAY I MAKE ONE MORE INQUIRY, YOUR HONOR?
- 16 | SINCE WE JUST GOT THESE AFFIDAVITS, YOU KNOW, AT 11:00 LAST
- 17 NIGHT THAT WERE USED TODAY THAT RELATE TO WHAT I HEAR THE COURT
- 18 IS SAYING IS A CRITICAL ISSUE, IS IN THAT WHAT HE'S GOING TO DO
- 19 FOR THIS COMPANY VERSUS WHAT HE DID, WOULD THE COURT ALLOW US TO
- 20 RESPOND TO THOSE AFFIDAVITS? BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S VERY
- 21 IMPORTANT. THEY HAD A DOCTOR SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT AT 11:00 LAST
- 22 NIGHT MAKING ALL THESE ASSERTIONS. AND WE DID PUT ON
- 23 MR. TORNOUIST, BUT WE WOULD LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT A
- 24 RESPONSE TO THESE AFFIDAVITS.
- 25 THE COURT: IF YOU WANT TO GET -- LET'S PUT IT THIS

1 | WAY. IF EITHER OF YOU WANTS ANYTHING ELSE IN THE RECORD IN

- 2 TERMS OF AFFIDAVIT OR INFORMATION, I'LL LET YOU HAVE UNTIL 9:00
- 3 | TOMORROW MORNING TO SUBMIT IT ON THE RECORD. YOU KNOW, I'LL
- 4 KIND OF LOOK AT IT WITH A GRAIN OF SALT GIVEN THAT THE OTHER
- 5 | SIDE DIDN'T WANT TO RESPOND TO IT, BUT ANYTHING LIKE THAT YOU
- 6 WANT TO PUT IN THE RECORD, DO IT TODAY OR TONIGHT AND BEFORE
- 7 TOMORROW MORNING, AND I'LL TAKE A LOOK AT IT.
- 8 MR. ROBERTS: FAIR ENOUGH.
- 9 MR. WARGO: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. ALONG THOSE LINES
- 10 WE REPRESENTED TO YOUR HONOR THAT WE WOULD PRESENT TODAY A
- 11 PROPOSED ORDER. WE'RE HAPPY TO PROVIDE THAT. WE HAVE A COPY
- 12 FOR COUNSEL JUST FOR THE RECORD.
- 13 THE COURT: OKAY. THAT'S FINE. AND WHY DON'T YOU
- 14 ALSO E-MAIL A COPY OF IT TO MS. BACHELOR WITHOUT ME EVEN HAVING
- 15 LOOKING AT IT, BUT THAT'S ALWAYS HELPFUL.
- 16 MR. ROBERTS: AND WE WILL -- WE WILL DO -- WE -- I'M
- 17 SORRY, YOUR HONOR. WE JUST DIDN'T HAVE TIME.
- 18 THE COURT: NO. THAT'S FINE.
- 19 MR. ROBERTS: BUT WE'LL SEND IN A PROPOSED ORDER
- 20 | WITHIN THE NEXT COUPLE OF DAYS, IF THAT'S OKAY.
- 21 THE COURT: THAT'S FINE. AND I WILL SAY, TOO, IN
- 22 TERMS OF THESE ISSUES, THESE ARE TYPICALLY ISSUES THAT I WON'T
- 23 SIGN A PROPOSED ORDER, THAT I'LL DO A LENGTHY ORDER ON. BUT
- 24 ANYTHING LIKE THAT YOU WANTED TO SUBMIT, CERTAINLY PLEASE FEEL
- 25 FREE TO DO SO. SO GOT SOME WORK TO DO, SO I WILL GET ON MY JOB

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